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### **Protein Within HIV May Trigger AIDS**

by Lisa Seachrist UPI Science Writer

WASHINGTON - The mysterious trigger that turns an HIV infection into a case of full-blown AIDS may be a protein produced by the virus, researchers said Tuesday, November 8.

In a study published in the current issue of the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, University of Pennsylvania researchers found that the Vpr protein that is (Continued on page 25)

### Mrs. King Blasts Homophobia, Intolerance, the **Politics of AIDS**

by Kent Brandley

The persistence of bigotry and prejudice on the part of so-called Christian leaders toward gay people makes the struggle to eradicate AIDS far more difficult, Coretta Scott King told more than 2,000 AIDS workers attending the National Skills Building Confer-ence in Atlanta last Tuesday, November 1.

Mrs. King, widow of slain civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., spoke for the first time publicly on the topic of HIV and

"I am well aware that AIDS is not an illness which afflicts only gay people," King said, speaking on behalf of the Martin Luther King,

speaking on behalf of the Martin Luther King, Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change. "The shame of AIDS," she said, "falls not on its victims, but on those who are in a posi-tion to help, but won't."

She emphasized that AIDS is a political problem. "This means that we will not see adequate funding for AIDS research, prevention, and treatment programs until we make the political leadership at every level of repre-sentative government understand that they will be held accountable for everything they do or don't do with respect to AIDS."

She spoke strongly in opposition to ballot referenda legalizing job discrimination and other forms of bias toward gay and lesbian people in Oregon, Idaho, and Alachua County, Florida.

"Some claim that protecting Americans from discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation would be extending 'special rights' to gay people. Ironically, this same language was used as far back as 1882 – to oppose civil rights for former slaves. Civil rights are not 'special rights' but basic rights that belong to all people," King said.

"The civil rights movement thrives on unity and inclusion, not division and exclusion. ... If the basic rights of one group can be taken

the basic rights of one group can be taken away at the ballot box, all groups are vulnerable," she added.

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#### **ELECTION '94**

Lavender Sweep in San Francisco, But...

# **Republicans Bury** Democrats Across U.S.



Lesbian supervisors
Carole Migden
(Above) and Susan
Leal (Top center)
were re-elected to
the board and will
be joined by Tom
Ammiano (Top
right). Sheila James
Kuehl (right) won an
Assembly seat; Tony
Miller (far right, ironically) may still keep
the Secretary of
State office.

YES



The national Republican Party, in a stunning rebuke to President Clinton and the U.S. Congress, won control of both the Senate and the House of Representatives for the first time in nearly 40 years November 8. Dwight Eisenhower was president the last time the GOP had control of both houses of Congress. **ELECTION** 



With a net gain of eight Senate seats and 52 House seats, the Republicans swept all regions of the country.
Eleven previously Eleven previously Democratic governorships also went to Republicans, including those in New York and Texas. Clearly, the massive GOP

win has to be considered, in part, a referendum on President Clinton's first two years in office, a referendum that led to a "throw out the incumbents" mentality as far as Congress was con-

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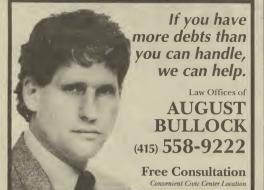


#### **Memorializing Moore**

A New Orleans-style jazz band and funeral parade followed a November 5 service for longtime African-American gay activist Brandy Moore. House Speaker Willie Brown, who once employed Moore, eulogized him by challenging the African-American and gay/lesbian communities to continue their struggle to work together in San Francisco. The parade included the "Letting Go" of the Vessel at Brandy's house.

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**COMMUNITY NEWS** 

### **Arlo Doubles Reward for Rohana Attackers**

The search continues for the men who shot Victor Rohana at the corner of Market and Waller streets on October 28. Police investigators are prepared to comb the records of the state Department

pared to comb the records of the state Department of Motor Vehicles for white Suzuki Samurai vehicles like the one driven by Rohana's assailants, and law enforcement officials have doubled the reward leading to their arrest and conviction.

District Attorney Arlo Smith announced on November 1 that his office was adding \$10,000 to the reward already established by Mayor Frank Jordan, bringing the total reward to \$20,000. That contribution to the reward was funded by money received from the Anti-Defamation League in an contribution to the reward was funded by finding received from the Anti-Defamation League in an out-of-court legal settlement earlier this year. The city had sued the group over its alleged surveillance and intelligence gathering on local political

lance and intelligence gathering on local political activists, groups, and media.

Police investigators have received some leads on the Rohana attack, according to police hate crimes investigator Sandy Bargioni.

"We have gotten some leads that we could follow up on. We have shown five different photo spreads to both the victims. We've gotten some 'Well, maybe's, but no positive identifications," Bargioni told the Bay Area Reporter.

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Rohana, 24, remains hospitalized in serious condition from the injuries he received in the

shooting.

"It's a heinous crime. We are very lucky that he has not died," Smith said.

The art student and part-time model was shot in the chest as he and his friend Stephen Damron were returning from dinner at the Heartland Cafe to Damron's car on Waller Street.

At the intersection where Octavia, Market, and Waller Streets meet, the couple encountered the

men in the Subaru. According to Damron, one of the men in the car asked the couple why they were holding hands and began taunting them.

After the men began walking up Waller Street,
the driver of the car pulled



into a driveway, turned the car around and began driving down the sidewalk, pinning Rohana between the car and the side of 9 Waller Street.

Damron recalls the Suzuki passenger said to Rohana, "Do you want this?" and then pulled out the pistol and shot him.

Victor Rohana

Victor Rohana

The bullet, recovered by the police, passed through Rohana's left lung, exited his spleen, and lodged in the wall against which the vehicle had him pinned.

Police say Rohana was shot with a .9 millimeter handgun. Since the attempted murder he has had two major surgeries, to repair internal damages and to remove his spleen

ages and to remove his spleen.

According to Bargioni, police initially got conflicting reports about the DMV's technical capacity to pull a list of all state-registered Suzuki Samurais, but the HCI unit expects to obtain a print-out of such cars in San Francisco, Alameda, and San Mateo counties within the week.

Bargioni said that police would send bulletins.

Bargioni said that police would send bulletins about the crime to every police department in the state, including a composite sketch of the passenger who shot Rohana

According to Assistant District Attorney Chuck Haines, the incident is only the latest in an upsurge of anti-gay violence in the city.

"That increase has been very recent, within the last few weeks. It's too early to tell whether it's a trend or a little anomaly," Haines said.

### Is the SFPD for YOU?

by Kent Brandley

Would you like to be a city

cop?
At a time when crime is more of a concern to San Francisco citizens than ever before – particularly to the les-bian and gay community in the wake of the shooting of Victor Rohana – the San Francisco Police Department is once again recruiting from the les-

bian and gay community.

Qualified gays, as well as all women and minorities, are wonten and inflorities, are encouraged to apply to become San Francisco uniformed officers, the *B.A.R.* learned from Rose Melendez, an openly lesbian officer with the police recruitment office.

"The primary focus is on qualifications," according to Mike McDonough, training officer for the Recruitment and Retention Unit of SFPD. "What you do on your own time is your own business."

"The exact number of gay

and lesbian police officers on the force is not certain," said Robert Oakes, gay liaison in the office of Mayor Frank Jordan. But, he added, some of the department's added, some of the department's highest ranking officers are gay. "The department respects their right to privacy," he said, and their names and numbers are not

made public.

Because of a consent decree stemming from a federal law-suit brought by minority offi-cers in years past, no quota or percentage of gay and lesbian officers is – or can be – spelled out by the department. Gay and lesbian officers were not part of the lawsuit, McDonough said.

"Recruitment of gay and lesbian officers has come a long way," Oakes said. "And the San Francisco Police Department has done a lot to improve the visibility of gays and lesbians on the force." He said the department has "actively and unashamedly" gay and lesbian

Gay and lesbian officers are

frequently assigned to investi-gate crimes involving gay or lesbian victims, Oakes said, in an effort to make the victims feel more comfortable.

The recruitment process for entry level police officers began November 1, a press release from Chief Anthony Ribera

Applicants must be at least 20, have a high school diploma or GED equivalent, be a U. S. citizen (or a resident alien who has applied for citizenship), have a valid California driver's license and have no felow conlicense, and have no felony con-

Benefits include a starting annual salary of \$43,952, with a 6.25 percent night differential pay, generous medical and den-tal benefits, bilingual pay, and a fitness incentive program,
Melendez said. ▼

For further information, call the Recruitment and Retention Unit at (415) 553call

### Sebring Left Defenseless

#### Jailhouse Informant: Stalking Suspect Still Making Mischief

by Dennis Conkin

The San Francisco Public Defender's office has been forced to withdraw its defense of stalking suspect Sean Sebring after another county jail inmate claimed that Sebring asked him to make anonymous threatening calls to media mogul Jim Gabbert, the Bay

Area Reporter has learned.
Julianna Drous, a well-known San Francisco private criminal defense attorney, has Sebring because the public defender's officer also represents the inmate making the

allegations.

That inmate's identity has been withheld pending his testi-mony in the case.

mony in the case.
"Sean has admitted to me that this whole thing was 'a deal' to get money out of Gabbert," the inmate claimed in a statement to the Bay Area Reporter. "The rape was a lie."

Sebring remains in police custody at the Hall of Justice on \$1 million bail, on charges that he made terrorist death threats and tried to extort millions of dollars from Gabbert after an August 15 incident in which Sebring claimed he was surrep-titiously drugged with the psychedelic drug Ecstasy. After that, he later claimed, Gabbert sexually assaulted him by attempting to orally copulate him while Sebring was in a euphoric and unresisting state.

Sebring was later hospitalized twice by Sonoma County mental health authorities after the alleged incident, once at his own request and once when authorities determined that he was "a danger to himself or others" as required by state Health Department involuntary mental commitment regula

According to the inmate's (Continued on page 18)

# Tim Curbo, Ammiano's Lover, Dies at 50

### Didn't Live To See the Election He Fought to Help Tom Win



Tim Curbo

by Dennis Conkin

Gay leader Tom Ammiano suf-Gay leader for Ammiano sur-fered a devastating personal tragedy just days before the end of his hard-fought and high stakes campaign for election to the San

campaign for election to the San Francisco board of supervisors. Ammiano's lover of 16 years, beloved San Francisco public school teacher Tim Curbo, died after a long battle with AIDS on Thursday, November 3 at Davies Medical Center.

Curbo, 50, succumbed from complications related to lymphoma and Kaposi's sarcoma.

"He was a teacher above all," Ammiano told the *Bay Area Reporter*. "He taught in the San Francisco school system since 1982; he was held in very high esteem; parents adored him and students kept coming back to visit him after they were in his class."

Curbo taught a combination first and second grade class at Cesar Chavez School in the Mission District.

Mission District.

Curbo said good-bye to Chavez students at a moving assembly held at the beginning of this school year, which directly addressed the issue of AIDS.

"Someone asked, 'Oh how do you get AIDS?" Ammiano recalled.

Curbo responded in a way that addressed the student's fear, and addressed the student's fear, and at the same time recognized they were first and second graders. "Tim said, 'Well, you'll learn about that later. The most impor-

tant thing is how you don't get AIDS and you can't get it from a

hug.'
"It was a great service for the students and their parents,"
Ammiano said.

In addition to his life as a

teacher, Curbo was "a very seri-ous" gardener, according to his longtime friend Louise Minnick. Minnick and her partner, Kate Monaco-Klein, had been friends with Curbo and Ammiano for the

with Curbo and Ammiano for the entire length of their relationship, "We all met as newlyweds," Minnick told the Bay Area Reporter. "Tim had a great bullshit detector. He had a good sense of people. He was social, but he also liked his time alone. We were like a family."

The race for supervisor at the same time as his lover's health was on the decline was excruciating for Ammiano

"It tore me apart some times," he acknowledged. "I could usually make an appearance or campaign as long as I could see him a couple of times a day. When I was with him nothing else mattered, but he would keep saying, 'Do it,

do it, do it."
"I was there when he took his

"I was there when he took his last breath. I'm very happy about that. Everything else pales."

And, in the face of enormous loss and grief, Ammiano has a loud and clear message for right wing religious leaders and politicians who are out to destroy the leabing and grow community's

efforts for civil rights and justice.

"Jesse Helms comes from another planet. He's not dancing on Tim's grave or anybody

A memorial service for Curbo A memorial service for Curbo is set for today, Thursday, November 10 at 6 p.m. at Chavez Elementary School, located at 825 Shotwell Street in San Francisco. Contributions in Curbo's memory collected at the service will be sent to Casa De Las Madres, a refuge for battered women.

### I. Magnin Sued by Lesbian Ex-Employees

### Desert Storm Veteran and Lover Say Bosses Searched Their Home

An Oakland lesbian couple has filed a multi-million dollar lawsuit against I. Magnin, a chain of retail clothing specialty shops, charging the store where they worked with trespass, invasion of privacy, and wrongful

ston of privacy, and wrongful termination.

The lawsuit was filed last week in Alameda County Superior Court, almost exactly one year after a November 1993 incident in which two security officers obtained the keys to the home of Sharris Davis and Myra

home of Sharris Davis and Myra Williams, both of whom worked for the store's downtown Oakland branch.

At the time the incident happened, Williams was a Magnin's security officer and Davis was a popular sales associate at the store's Estea Lander counter.

store's Estee Lauder counter.

According to the lawsuit, filed by attorney Paul Wotman of the Law Offices of Arnold Laub, the corporation's regional director of security obtained the keys to the women's residence by threatening Williams with termination if she did not ask Davis for the keys.

Once Nancy Julian, the security chief, had the keys, according to the lawsuit, she ordered Williams to accompany her and another security officer to the couple's apartment – and then Julian searched the apartment, displacing personal items and looking through closets.

"These are among some of the most serious allegations of employer misconduct and wrongful termination that I've ever seen. This case just shocks the Wotman said. conscience,

The lawsuit has drawn the attention of lesbian leaders, including San Francisco Supervisor Carole Migden, who expressed concern about anti-

gay job bias.
"If there are charges of dis crimination against lesbians, we would hope those charges would be settled through review. This seems like a gross intrusion and invasion," Migden

According to the lawsuit, the

store's regional director initially wanted to look through the cou-ple's car, but later demanded to

search their apartment.

Wotman told the Bay Area
Reporter that Julian had forced Williams to ask Davis for the keys under threat of termination.

Wotman said that Davis believed her partner needed something from their car and did not realize that security officials wanted the keys to conduct a warrantless search of their

premises.
"Can you believe that? It's just ridiculous," Davis said. "I feel like a rape victim in a way. That they were walking around my home, touching our things, looking into my home. I just felt violated. It's such a gross, absolute abuse of power."

When Williams asked why

her home was being searched, Julian and another officer declined to discuss the matter, according to the lawsuit.

"They were looking for display items," Davis told the Bay Area Reporter. "They had got an anonymous tip that there were display items in our home. Which was bullshit."

Williams, a 34-year-old Desert Storm veteran, later resigned from the retail chain. Davis was fired on a pretext last June, Wotman alleges, after I. Magnin officials charged her with stealing free samples of perfume that are given away with customer purchases.

The lawsuit also claims that the store launched a secret investigation against the lesbian couple to attempt to uncover alleged misconduct at the stores, that the company secretly installed a video camera in one of the women's offices, and that the couple suffered anti-gay harassment and mistreatment in the workplace when other employees learned they were a lesbian couple.

According to Davis, she and Williams were also told that because they had become a couple, one of them would have to leave the store's employ.

Davis said there were other loss prevention specialists who

had partners or paramours working at I. Magnin's – and they were not given the same ultimatum.

company spokeswoman Magnin denied charges that it discriminated on the basis

of sexual orientation, and said that they hadn't yet been served with the lawsuit.

The store also said that the women's claims are unfounded and an inaccurate rendition of the facts of the case.



Paul Wotman

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#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

GLHS Presents a Jewelle in an Historical Setting

### **Historical Society Presents** Awards, Keeps History Alive

Acclaimed poet and writer Jewelle Gomez will Actiaimed poet and writer Jewelle Gomez Will be the keynote speaker when the Gay and Lesbian Historical Society of Northern California holds its fifth annual awards dinner on Thursday, November 17 at the Miyako Hotel.

Gomez is the former director of the New York
State Council on the Arts literature program and a founding board member of Gay and Lesbian

Alliance Against Defamation.

Gomez told the *Bay Area Reporter* that it's important to the future of the lesbian and gay movement that groups such as GLHS keep our birtory clips and consult and such as GLHS keep our history alive - and accessible.

"It's the first time in the history of the lesbian and gay movement where so many generations are she said.

out, 'she said.

Recipients of this year's awards are Dr. Steve
Morin, legislative aide to Nancy Pelosi; educator
Merle Woo; The San Francisco Gay Men's
Chorus; and GLHS pro bono attorney Patrick

Morin has made significant contributions to the lesbian and gay community in the fight against AIDS and through his work with the American Psychological Association.

Psychological Association.

Woo, an openly radical socialist educator currently on the faculty of San Francisco State, prevailed against UC Berkeley after nearly a decade of litigation when she was fired over her political and sexual orientation.

GLHS is an independent, tax-exempt non-profit membership organization dedicated to the col-lection and preservation of historically significant

materials documenting the lives of lesbians, gays, bisexuals, and transgenders.

In addition to maintaining archives, the society publishes a newsletter, produces exhibitions and programs, and conducts an oral history project.

The archive's collection



Jewelle Gomez

includes the papers of Leonard Matlovich; the extensive collection Daughters of Bilitis founders Del Martin and Phyllis Lyon; the collected papers of Randy Shilts; the papers of poet Elsa Gidlow; the collected works of the late photog-rapher Crawford Barton, who documented the growth of the Castro District in the 70s; the col-

lected works of photogra-pher Gene Weber; and more than 2,000 lesbian and gay periodicals and titles, including a complete collection of the Bay Reporter.

Area Reporter.

Tickets to the Miyako Hotel event are \$45 per person, \$75 for sponsors, or \$400 for a table of 10. A cash bar starts at 6 p.m., and dinner is scheduled for 7 p.m. Reservations must be received by Saturday, November 12. ▼

Checks should be mailed to Daniel Bao, 342 Broadway, Alameda, CA 94501. For information about membership or access to the collection, contact GLHS at (415) 626-0980.

### Dying Chowchilla Prisoner Gets No Compassionate Release



Cynthia Ann Greene

by Kent Brandley

Compassionate release Cynthia Ann Greene, a 40-year-old prisoner dying of AIDS at California Women's Facility in Chowchilla, has been denied by James Gomez, direc-tor of the California Department of

That was the word Tuesday morn-Inat was the word Tuesday morning from Miriam Berman, spokeswoman for ACT UP San Francisco
and the Coalition to Support the
Women Prisoners of Chowchilla.
Greene's family says she is "fading
fast" and is far too ill to pose any kind
of a threat to anyone. They want her at

home, where she can receive love and compassionate care in her last days.

Although the prison doctor okayed her release, her family plead-ed for it, and the warden agreed to it, Gomez refused compassionate release, Berman said. The corrections director can change his mind and he has done so in the past, Berman said. Gomez would not return calls

Berman urges B.A.R. readers to phone or fax Gomez with requests to release the dying woman, who shrank from 140 pounds to 100 pounds in the past month. ▼

To contact Gomez and urge him to grant compassionate release to Cynthia Ann Greene, fax (916) 322-2877 or phone (916) 445-7688.

### Let's Have Another Piece of Piety

### Saints Alive '94 Noms Open

by Kent Brandley

Do you know people that you consider to be liv-

Now is the time to honor those individuals by

nominating them for a "Saints Alive" award.

Metropolitan Community Church – specifically, the San Francisco congregation at 150 Eureka Street – is calling for nominations from the community for its third annual Saints Alive Awards.

Presentation of the awards will be made next February at the Saints Alive Awards and Celebrity Auction. The deadline for nominations is

church committee will make the selections from those nominated for their contributions to the larger community, said Steve Marlowe, office manager at the Eureka Street MCC. Among the "living saints" honored for outstanding community service in 1993 and 1994 are the Reverend Cecil Williams of Glide Memorial Church; Roberta Achtenberg, former city supervi-Church; Roberta Achtenberg, former city supervisor and now a top official with Housing and Urban Development in the Clinton Administration; John McGrann, founder of Kairos House; author/activists Del Martin and Phyllis Lyon; Ignatius Bau, immigration and civil rights attorney; Mary Rathbun, perhaps better known as "Brownie Mary," a medical marijuana crusader; and all of the staff and volunteers of San Francisco General Hospital's ADDS Ward 5 General Hospital's AIDS Ward 5

Mail or fax those nominations in pronto.

Send to: Saints Alive, MCC/SF, 150 Eureka Street, San Francisco, CA 94114 or fax: (415) 431-9813.

### **Innovative Housing** Sinks into Scandal

The Mayor's Office of Housing announced last week that it is investigating complaints by a former employee against a local non-profit housing program that serves low income San Francisco resi-

The complaints have been lodged against Innovative Housing, a Marin-based agency that has a San Francisco regional office.

The former employee, Eladio Ballestas, has also contacted the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development and the city's Human Rights Commission about his concerns.

Ballestas says that the agency, which manages 17 San Francisco properties, illegally charges tenants vacancy charges for unrented rooms in houses managed by the group; raises funds from charitable groups for services which it then does not provide; has discriminatory rental practices; and once housed tenants in premises that were unsafe because of possible asbestos exposure.

Ballestas also charged that the agency received tens of thousands of dollars in city funds to provide various social services to tenants but never provided the services.

provided the services.

The 11-year-old agency has an annual estimated budget of \$1.5-2 million, according to Cynthia Burnette, its executive director. According to Burnette, Ballestas is a "disgruntled employee" in league with a "few ex-tenants," and the allegations are "outlandish and untrue."

"The majority of these issues have been dismissed as erroneous and false. He is dealing with personal issues that I am not at liberty to deal with," Burnette told the *Bay Area Reporter*. "We welcome the investigation by the Mayor's



Three-flat Baker Street property owned by Innovative Housing, a non-profit housing agency under investigation by the Mayor's Office of Community Development. The agency owns two SF sites and leases 15 others as low-income supported housing.

Office."

Ballestas, the husband of the agency's current regional direc-tor, was fired for alleged mis-

conduct in September.

Ballestas said he was fired by the agency after he made it known he intended to publicize his concerns.

ins concerns.

"We've received the complaint and are investigating it now. We take complaints very seriously," said Lynn Beeson of the Mayor's Office of Community Development.

Beeson told the Bay Area Reporter that it would take at least two working weeks before.

least two working weeks before the office would be in a position

"I'm doing this out of con-cern that the agency is collect-ing a lot of money and the ser-vices they say they are providing they are not providing. People already at risk of being

homeless should not be put in further endangerment by an agency collecting funds to provide safe affordable housing. I've never been interested in putting the agency out of business," Ballestas told the Bay ness," Ballestas told the Bay Area Reporter.
Ballestas said that he went

public with his complaints because the agency lacked a way to bring the issues to decision makers, and after he met with members of the agency's

advisory board to no avail.

Innovative Housing received
a \$5,000 seed grant from
Horizons Foundation to work to
develop an intergenerational housing outreach program with Gay and Lesbian Outreach to Elders (GLOE).

According to GLOE staffer George Roosen, despite initial enthusiasm, the project proved unfeasible. Personalized Service Through the Legal/Insurance Maze

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### **Asian AIDS Project Honors** Three Who Make a Difference

by Kent Brandley

Three people who have been instrumental in the Asian AIDS Project's ongoing fight against AIDS will be honored tonight, Thursday, November 10, at the second annual Commitment to Our Communities awards ban-

About 300 people are expect-

About 300 people are expected to attend a wine reception and silent auction at 6 p.m., which will be followed by a 7:30 banquet, with food by Elka.

The affair will be at the Miyako Hotel, located at 1625 Post Street.

B. D. Wong, the native San Francisco film actor and Tony award-winning performer, will be honored as the most visible Asian performer in the ongoing fight against AIDS, according to fight against AIDS, according to Asian AIDS Project (AAP). In his role in the Home Box

Office film ...And The Band Played On and in the play Career Suicide, Wong depicted the struggles of coping with AIDS as it impacts friends, family, and community, said Chisa Uyeki, AAP's special events coordinator.

coordinator.
Dr. Gifford Leoung, medical director of the HIV Care Clinic at St. Francis Memorial Hospital, will also be honored by AAP in recognition of his many

AAP in recognition of his many years of service as a researcher and healthcare provider
Dorothy Wong, executive director of the International District Community Health Center in Seattle, will also be honored. She and Leoung have both contributed significantly to both contributed significantly to AAP's success in providing cul-turally-competent services to the Asian Pacific Islander communities in the San Francisco Bay Area since 1987, Uyeki said. ▼



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#### **EDITORIAL**

### The Beginning of the End -Or Just A Beginning



ere on this cloudy post-election day – cloudier, in fact, than any we can recall – we've been looking for a few silver linings. We've found some, but not without difficulty.

Most encouraging of all the election news, of course, was the lavender sweep of sorts we got here and there – mostly here in San Francisco – and the defeat of ballot measures that would have codified anti-gay discrimination in Idaho and Oregon. Considering how the rest of the votes were cast in this country, those victories came as welcome surprises.

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Considering how the rest of the votes were cast in this country, those victories came as welcome surprises.

Second, there was an enormous turnout of voters for an off-year election, which was heartening. No matter how awful those voters' decisions were, it's a positive thing for America to reverse the trend toward an ever-dwindling electorate.

Third, there is the system of checks and balances built into our system of government. We are always thankful for them, but never more so than today. Despite the disturbingly large number of raving lunatics who have gone to Washington – even before the Tuesday Bloody Tuesday of 1994 – none of them have yet been able to permanently disable our democracy. We like to think it will also be impossible for the new Congressional tag-team of Dole and Gingrich, no matter how hard they may try.

And...

We seem to have run out of silver linings.

It's hard to tell which is more unsettling, the intolerance displayed by American voters – whether displayed as anti-immigrant or anti-gay sentiment – or the pig-headed stupidity of those who, simply to make an anti-Democrat statement, supported ineffectual candidates like Huffington over competent lawmakers like Feinstein.

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It is also inconceivable to us that a generation that stopped the Vietnam war two decades ago just voted to install Jesse Helms as the Senate Foreign Relations committee chair. That makes him the man who will authorize negotiations with, among others, North Korea's Kim Jung II as that nation seeks to come in from the cold. It's hard to imagine Helms putting out much of a welcome mat, no matter what that means for world peace.

Finally, we are frankly amazed at the amazement we see on so many progressives' faces today. We don't know why they're so shocked to see their mostly lackluster campaigns didn't capture the voters' attention this year. (Has anyone taken Kathleen Brown's pulse lately?) It was obvious to us that the far right had the advantage in determination — which it earned through hard work — and if it didn't get its way in '94 it would be back in '96 with even more of the same. Democrats displayed almost none of that drive, and the gay community seemed less involved than of that drive, and the gay community seemed less involved than at any time since the modern movement took root a quarter of a century ago.

Apparently the community has gotten used to social progress since those heady Stonewall days, and complacent in the belief that our civil rights are somehow assured (whether by ACT UP activists or insurance-salesman-to-the-A-gays David Mixner). That is merely a convenient illusion, and a deadly one. Too few have shouldered the responsibility for too many for too long.

have shouldered the responsibility for too many for too long. That must stop.

It's too bad that the hundreds of thousands of people who wasted a ton of money on the Stonewall commemoration earlier this year didn't spend those bucks on political contributions and political action. It would have been a better value and it would have been a much better commemoration. As it was, the community just threw itself a party while our enemies were meeting, printing voters' guides, and organizing themselves into a potent force.

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The price of freedom, they say, is eternal vigilance. We have been sleeping on the job for too long.

Now the hard part. Starting here and now we have to wake up, grow up, and recognize that our enemies may not be admirable for their beliefs, but their perseverance and drive are enviable. Fortunately, they don't have a lock or patent on those characteristics. We can learn from them, as they once learned from us, how to develop and flex political muscle.

With all due respect to Ann Richards, who lost her re-election did to George W. Bush, she was wrong when she told her disappointed followers that "This isn't the end of the world; it's the end of a campaign." The fact is, it's already the beginning again. For the GOP, at least, the "96 race is underway. As it should be for us. Oliver North is not gone; like some hideous spectre from our childhood, he lurks outside our view but close enough for us to feel queasy. Ditto with Jeb Bush, another George-and-Bar kid who makes Dan Quayle look like Albert Sweitzer. He lost his first race but has already announced his intent to try again.

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The next step for the Republicans, of course, is the White House. If they reclaim it in two years, that would make it possible for Ollie North to move directly into a cabinet position. How about secretary of defense? What about AIDS czar?

The Republican Sunami that swept across the country this year will be only the first of many disasters for progressives unless we are willing to stop that trend. To do that will require both money and commitment in greater numbers that have been forthcoming until now. (Just to put the numbers in perspective, the total budgets for the four largest gay rights groups in the country is less than that taken in by one fundy church in Sacramento.) It may seem hopeless right now, but now is the only time we have and we have to move on from here.

Let's go. ▼

#### **GUEST OPINION**

### **Termination Point**



#### Kent Brandley

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Courier, and other newspapers during a long he city took notice Friday, October 28, when San Franciscan Victor Rohana was shot and critically wounded by an assailant who apparently objected to the way Rohana was holding hands with another man. The pundits in City Hall and the news stations agreed it is just too damned easy for a bigoted fool to get a gun and try to kill someone. A reward was offered. The reward was upped. And now ... the politicians, media, and public turn their attention elsewhere.

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Long after the victim's name has left the headlines, when the shooting is considered "old news," the nightmare for Rohana will still be current. The reality of recuperation is that it is often worse than the injury. The hospitalization and the surgeries are just beginning; they may literally last a lifetime. So, perhaps, will the expense and the legal hassle. Certainly his life will be forever changed by this incident.

I can speak with some experience because I was shot in an armed robbery on Valentine's Day, 1980, near the ironically-named Termination Point on Kodiak Island, Alaska, I was shot by a lone gunman wearing a ski mask as I was en route to a tranquil and remote cabin with my life's savings, to write the great American novel. The bullet entered at the breastbone and traveled down my intestines, tearing them up. entered at the breastbone and traveled down my intestines, tearing them up. Alaska State Troopers determined later that I had been shot with a .32 caliber pistol. If it had been a larger caliber gun, or if it had been one inch to the left, it would have struck my heart and I would not be here today to write this.

As I lay there in shock, with my lungs filling up slowly – drowning in my own blood – I thought, "This is it." But the hour of death was delayed, thanks to a minor miracle. An unlikely

thanks to a minor miracle. An unlikely passerby found me, and modern medicine spared me.

In my case, and probably with Rohana, a certain amount of the anguish and expense will linger.

From now on a loud pop will make him jump, even if he tries not to. His youthful trust is forever damaged. His opinion of humanity will be diminished.

In my case, all thoughts of sexual function were abandoned for at least a year. Survival became the main thing and life itself became the most cherished goal. I had a colostomy, in which ished goal. I had a colostomy, in which the waste from the intestines is diverted out a patient's side into a bag so the intestines may rest enough to heal. Fortunately my colostomy was only temporary. After a period of several months, the surgeon said he was going to "hook my plumbing back up." A second major surgery.

Even now, more than a decade later, I have three major hernias and weakened stomach muscles as a result of that gunshot. The bullet is still lodged in my left leg near the hip. When the weather is cold I can feel it there as a reminder. The operations left an ugly scar stretch-

is coid I can lee it there as a reminder. The operations left an ugly scar stretching from my chest to my scrotum. My medical expenses came to more than \$25,000. Unemployment followed. And now, after all that time, more medical expenses loom.

Rohana has already had two major surgeries since the shooting, one of which was to remove his spleen. At the age of 24, his health and his life have been damaged, and the pain and the expense will go on. And on.

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Both Victor Rohana and I are lucky to be alive. Our assailants would have had it otherwise. The man who shot me was never caught. One can only hope circumstances will be different for the man who shot Rohana, and he will be put behind bars where he belongs.

We cannot escape the violence of our times, not even in the woods. So the fact that it happened here on Waller Street does not make it a bad neighbor-

fact that it happened here on Waller Street does not make it a bad neighborhood, or a bad city. We could discuss the ramifications of gun control, but that is not my point here.

Could either incident have otherwise been prevented? Probably not. It is called fate, or bad luck. It is the acknowledgment that bad things happen to good people.

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The point is, the victim pays.

Let's not let the community's outrage and anger for this horrible act against Rohana fade. Let's make sure that Victor Rohana is not left holding the financial bag here. Let's show him in every way how much this community cares about him, as a brother and a friend.

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How great a price should a young man pay for holding the hand of his boyfriend in public? He has already paid far too much.

Whatever the cost, he should not bear it alone. Unfortunately, it might well have been any of us.

#### **Mixner Exposed**

Thanks for Dennis Conkin's expose of David Mixner, who once was an activist. Members of the community need this information in order to hold accountable those who claim to speak on our behalf.

Frederic Millen San Francisco

#### **Duesberg's Donut Theory**

This letter is in response to another Dr. Duesberg supporter, Dennis McKown, whose letter appeared in your September 29th edition.

While I and most everyone else would agree that abusing the body with too much of anything is bad and can weaken the body, I do not understand how Dr. Duesberg and his supporters can say that HIV does not cause or at least lead to AIDS. This really gives anyone license to freely practice unsafe sex.

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I really have trouble accepting their theory that coffee, tea, ice cream, and donuts are going to cause AIDS. Yes, you can make yourself sick on these things if consumed in too great a quantity, but does Dennis McKown think that just because ice cream shops or coffee houses or donut shops do good business, that all these people go there everyday or consume heavy quantities of the products sold there? Wouldn't more people have AIDS if the aforementioned substances were the cause of this disease?

Recreational drugs can certainly play havoc with the body, but is he saying that everyone who so indulges will get AIDS?

Then, too, we must remember the origin of the HIV

Then, too, we must remember the origin of the HIV virus. According to some, it originated in poor areas of Africa. Doubt there was much coffee, tea, donut, ice cream, or even recreational drugs in use there. That in itself should shoot down Duesberg's theory.

The drugs invented so far to slow HIV are problematical at best, so I have no problem with criticism of them, but let's not reject traditional medicine's approach simply because of the medical world's inability to find a cure so far. I would hope that there would be some common ground in the middle where both camps could agree on the essentials and then work from there.

And by the way, Dennis, those drugs are ddI and ddC, not DDT – unless, of course, your plants now have AIDS.

Irving Waldorf San Francisco

### **Friendly Microbes**

The "Crypto" situation works like this:
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Appropriate treatment for AIDS involves systemic antifungal medication (100 mg of sporanox; itraconazole every other day) regardless of whether oral thrush is present; supplementation of "friendly microbes" (daily "re-seeding" of acidophilus); correct diet to inhibit yeast growth; and cessation of ongoing vices – gradually but permanently and totally.

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W. B. Coyle Fairfax, ČA

#### Two by Two

2,000 years ago, Christ did a profoundly significant thing. He paired MEN and when he paired them he said that anything the two of them agreed on and asked of the Father would be done.

Father would be done.

In 1980, my partner and I discovered that Christ war right, that when two men pair themselves in him, they can change the world and the results are precisely as Christ said they would be.

In 1991 we formed Apostles of Christ. In 1993 Apostles was incorporated in California and also received tax-exempt status from the state and IRS. And Apostles has developed a number of different ministries, primarily related to the media.

But now we believe the time is right to reach out to the gay community, primarily to those men who are already in paired relationships and who may be seeking a spiritual way in life.

We would like to hear from these men and they can contact us by writing to: Apostles of Christ, 3871 Piedmont Avenue, Oakland, CA 94611.

Gus Buttacavoli **Apostles of Christ** Oakland, CA

#### **Tobacco Politics**

There's another good reason to vote against Proposition 188. The very same people who are pouring a small fortune into the campaign for its passage – Philip Morris – over the years poured a small fortune into seeing Jesse Helms elected to the U.S. Senate.

Hal Gelb Oakland, CA

#### Latino Leader Defended

In your October 27 issue Letters to the Editor, David Grey of Sacramento's sensibilities are aroused by some of the truths Chris Sandoval raised in trying to argue for the inclusion of lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Latinos to the table of decision-making

argue for the inclusion of tesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender Latinos to the table of decision-making everywhere.

If Chris Sandoval is a racist and separatist, so is Mahatma Gandhi, Nelson Mandela and Cesar Chavez. Anytime a conscientious community leader raises civil rights consciousness, someone decides to launch the labels of racist and separatist like pigeon droppings to smear the integrity of that person. We would like Mr. Grey to know that this time we are not buying it.

Chris Sandoval is the lesbian and gay community's best-kept secret. He spent all of his waking hours working tirelessly in the AIDS epidemic for communities of all colors. This man never looks for the limelight, and his work is rarely covered by the media.

If there is one person who builds understanding and acceptance in the midst of our diversity, it has to be Chris Sandoval. It sounds to us like the only empire he is trying to build is the empire of racial harmony and understanding.

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We would also kindly request from Mr. Grey that the next time he employs those labels that he substantiate his claim. His letter makes it quite clear that Chris Sandoval's articulation of the issues landed with pinpoint accuracy in Sacramento.

Robert Lewis Richard Sanchez San Francisco

#### **Demanding Justice**

At a time when "religious" fundamentalists are braying their shrill invective and bigotry, it's good to know other religious leaders speak in the words of the Hebrew prophets, demanding justice for gay, lesbian, and bisex-

ual people.

Case in point: this letter from Rabbi David Saperstein to President Clinton regarding PO Keith Meinhold:

Dear Mr. President.

As a religious organization that represents 1.5 million Reform Jews, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations has consistently supported civil right and civil liberties for gay men, lesbians and bisexuals. It is for this very reason that I feel compelled to write

to you today.

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First, I would like to applaud the administration's decision not to pursue another appeal in the case of Navy Petry Officer Keith Meinhold. On August 31, 1994, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit in San Francisco affirmed a lower court's ruling rescinding the discharge of Petry Officer Meinhold, who acknowledged that he was gay during a broadcast of ABC's World News Tonight on May 19, 1992. This decision affirms the notion that servicemembers can not legally be discharged solely based upon a statement of one's sexual orientation.

Secondly, I would like to voice my opposition to any additional actions to remove Petry Officer Meinhold under the new policy. Meinhold has been on active duty since his reinstatement on November 12, 1992. He and his crew recently received the honor of being named the best Submarine Hunting Crew in the Pacific Fleet. Clearly Petry Officer Meinhold's openness of his crew. I am indeed grateful that Meinhold, along with his fellow servicemembers, has so nobly served our country and would be greatly distressed if he was in any way prohibited from continuing such service.

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service.
Finally, the Union of American Hebrew Congregations would like to reaffirm its opposition to any policy that would exclude gay men and lesbians from serving in the military. Thank you for your careful consideration of this matter.

Rabbi David Saperstein of Reform Judaism

Rabbi David and his Religious Action Center were given a Bearer of Light Award by PFLAG at their convention in September. His letter shows why they so rich-

Mike Rankin, M.D., Chair Civil Rights and Civil Liberties
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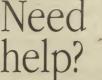
#### **Trying To Keep Warm**

Much as I love San Francisco, there is one thing that Much as I love San Francisco, there is one thing that puzzles me about this town: how come every man I've slept with has a non-working fireplace in his flat? I mean, in the six months that I've lived here I've slept with at least thirty different men and not one of their fireplaces was good for anything more than decoration. Aren't there any working fireplaces in this town? Is it politically incorrect to burn wood these days?

Any assistance you can provide me in solving this mystery would be greatly appreciated.

Vince Roccero San Francisco

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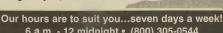
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#### **LETTERS**

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#### Leather Daddy Scolding #1

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OK, will someone please finally answer a question I've had for the longest time? Why is it that the title holders who have done little to nothing with their titles, are always the ones to bash the people who have busted their asses raising funds for our Community? They speak of titles as being passports to leadership in the Community. Maybe that's one of the problems. When people run for a title because they think it will make them a "leader" in the Community, they've already begun the process of setting themselves up for a big disappointment. At best, you have the opportunity to be a power of example for some, something quite different than "leader." So folks, we've just determined that misguided reasons for running for a title will only disappoint. My advice? If you're not willing to work your assoff, spend lots of your own money, subject yourself to criticism from those who have never tried to pull a successful fund raiser together, don't run! Trust me on this one, folks...I did a hugely successful fund raiser one Sunday (over \$5000.), and what I got was a threatening letter from some queen telling me that my SM oriented show was inappropriate at the Eagle!

On to the next issue...too many titles. Yes! I agree that San Francisco has far too many titles. Yes! I agree that San Francisco has far too many titles. Yes! I agree that be also the produce of the people who have run for and won titles fulfilled their moral and ethical obligations, this town wouldn't have to produce so many title holders. Perhaps a signed "Statement of Commitment" should be created, so as to avoid electing people who seek only to bask in the short-lived glory of winning (that only lasts one night, folks!).

Those of you who have such problems with having a panel of judges elect our title holders....did you complain about this process the nights you won your titles? C'mon guys, do we really have to call Congress into session to elect a representative of our Community? Most contests have four or five judges, pl

, so it can be announced to the crowd or published or

taising event is over, representances of the sponsored urbainty take the proceeds, count it out and give the host a figure, so it can be announced to the crowd or published on occasion. At best, it costs most of us thousands of dollars of our own money to produce benefits. Am I asking for a pat on the back? No! I am, however, asking that those of you who are self-appointed critices, give some fundraising a try, then tell how rich you've gotten from this.

One last thing, guys: enough of this ageist, clitist, and at best, overdone and tired "old guard/new guard" crap! Those people you set out to defame are our history, remember that. Having lost so many members of our Community, it is vital that we have a past to hold on to. That's the reason for creating the Leather Archive, so we have a past to reflect on. Don't kill off our past with your silly little agendas. Honor them, they created all that we have now. Our world remains far from perfect, but without our family "elders", all of us would still be unable to even utter the word "gay", much less live the life! The truth is we're all "current guard"...currently fighting the biggest fight of our lives. Fighting for our health, fighting for our rights, fighting to live, fighting to possibly even die with some dignity. If you've got to fight, fight with us, not against us. At this point in time, one thing our Community can't handle, even more than too many title holders (pardon my sarcasm), is our own people seeking to destroy, rather than build. How about a little gratitude for the Alan Selbys, the Lenny Brobergs, the Queen Cougars, the Blairs, the Phillip Turners, and countless others! apologize to for not being able to mention, in this town who have physically and emotionally damn near killed themselves to raise money for those of us in need?

C'mon, guys, get a life, contribute to your family, don't suck all of the energy out of the people who are working

us in need? C'mon, guys, get a life, contribute to your family, don't suck all of the energy out of the people who are working so hard. Join in, you'll be amazed at the sense of satisfaction it can bring. Try contributing, rather than destroying, it not only feels much better, it serves a purpose.

Irwin Kane SF Leather Daddy X

#### Leather Daddy Scolding #2

Two of the Mr. S.F. Leather contestants, Mr. Lias and Mr. Rozendal, don't have a clue about what holding a title is all about. Richard Faust worked hard and raised title is all about. Richard Faust worked hard and raised thousands of dollars for numerous charities during a successful year as Mr. Watering Hole Leather. St. Clair Adams has produced numerous fundraising events and continues to do so. I have produced five events which have raised over \$5,000, and I have helped with dozens of other events, helping to raise more than \$35,000. I still have another six months to go!

Mr. Lias and Mr. Rozendal seem to think that leadership means bitching and whining about what other people have done while sitting back and doing absolutely nothing to produce events to raise money for our brothers and sisters that desperately need our help. They are definitely right about one thing, there is something terribly wrong with a contest system that chose them.

Greg L. Pennington Mr. Watering Hole Leather '94

#### Leather Daddy Scolding #3

Messrs. Rozendal, Lias, & Neely:

I am appalled! It seems that you do nothings finally came up with something to spend your time on— tearing down the valiant efforts of hardworking Leather Title Holders.

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How can you possibly sit in your Ivory Tower and throw out misguided stabbing arrows when none of you have ever even attempted to produce a major event on your own as title holders? If one wants to dish out queenly phrases of "Be gone," perhaps that should be applied to you.

It is true, two of you were seen at almost everything between winning your respective bar titles and the Mr. SF Leather Contest. Where have you been since? Enjoying the niceties of your Ivory Tower, I suppose. It is also true, that when asked to help out at fund raisers you have mostly agreed.

However, the titles you now hold imply a much more leading capacity than any of you have exhibited. You speak of "self-appointed" leaders. Did it occur to you that the people you are knocking down are leaders because they give hours and hours of their time to come up with innovative ideas for fund raisers? Did it occur to you that those people spend thousands of their

ocome up with innovative ideas for fund raisers? Did it occur to you that those people spend thousands of their own money buying raffle tickets, auction items, etc?

I personally resent the accusation of owner/producers taking monies raised to compensate themselves for time invested. I cannot speak for 100 percent of this group, but I do know that myself, and any I have been directly involved with, have never done such. In fact, at all of my events and those I have had heavy involvement in, liaisons from the beneficiary have been on hand to count the money and receive it on the spot.

As far as contests being fixed, there is a panel of judges. One should also have an independent Tally Master. As producer, I am never in the room when the scoring is totalled, the results are handed to me only moments prior to the announcement on stage. This is fairly standard procedure.

I could ramble on and on. I have two suggestions for you. One is for each of you to produce some MAJOR fund raisers independently of each other. That way you can each see the amount of personal time required, the amount of personal money required, the amount of personal

can each see the amount of personal time required, the amount of personal money required, the amount of personal frustration involved, the amount of personal humiliation one feels when everyone tells you what you did wrong, the amount of personal stress you endure, the amount of personal begging involved, etc. when you put on one of these events. Then maybe you will have a better understanding of what is going on. Then maybe your letters will be taken with some credibility.

ibility.

The second thing I have to suggest to you is that you consider the divisive qualities of the conflagration you have set off. It saddens me deeply that we tear our own selves down. Of course, it is easier to sit back, write demeaning letters and do nothing else. You have proved once again, homophobes need do nothing, we can destroy ourselves.

In the spirit of unity, I do not turn my back on you. I seek that you consider the above comments and

ask that you consider the above comments and thoughts. You get seriously involved in the leather community's fund raising efforts and I welcome open dis-

Philip M. Turner SF Leather Daddy XI

#### **Daddy's Boy Apologies**

My name was associated with a letter to the editor concerning the San Francisco leather community. Upon seeing it in the paper and hearing how many people were hurt by this letter, I realized how big a mistake it was to support this. The community in this city are my friends and family. They mean the world to me. In writing this letter I hope to make amends for what I consider a serious act of poor judgment. I sincerely apologize.

I was wrong in supporting this letter. I have only wanted to strengthen our community not to lear it down

wanted to strengthen our community, not to tear it down or belittle the hard work of our heroes.

Please accept my apology

Craig F. Neely S.F. Leather Daddy's Boy '93, '94

#### Rocky Mountain High

Why doesn't it surprise me that the nut who sprayed the White House with bullets is from Colorado?

John Gildersleeve San Francisco, CA

#### **Boo-tiful People**

Special thanks to: the Bay Area Reporter, The Greenery Ultimate Garden & Gift Center, Noah's Bagelry on Chestnut St., RH in the Fillmore, the Body Shop on Chestnut, High Gear, Headlines, Welcome Home, Steven Williams, Brian Friedman, Joseph Schmidt, Davies and Emergency Staffs, and many, many more for showing their love and support in giving Halloween to some very special people in the hospital.

Two words: Big Success.
See you in '95. We'll need you!

Mike Mahoney Organizer, "Trick Or Treat for AIDS '94" San Francisco, CA

### Whither the GOP?

hile many Republicans were busy slapping each other on the back and celebrating their big gains in Tuesday's contest, their party leaders in Washington were looking to the 1996 presidential election and quietly preparing to handle the ideological split that developed within their ranks this year. In instance after instance, important Republicans defected from their party

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in elections from New York to California to support opposing candidates, mostly Democrats.

Republican higher-ups, despite the good news November 8, are privately bemoaning how difficult it is for them to enforce discipline, to make their fellow GOPers toe the party line. The Republican mayors of Los Angeles and New York City, the country's two largest cities, both deserted their own party candidates this year to endorse prominent Democrats: Richard Riordan coming out for Dianne Feinstein and Rudy Giuliani supporting Mario Cuomo. Other top-name Republicans broke the GOP's famous "11th commandment" of not speaking ill of fellow party members to support opposition candidates in states like Virginia, Michigan, and Pennsylvania.

Not only have moderate

Not only have moderate Republicans publicly served notice that they believe some of their party's nominees "don't deserve to serve," respected Republicans like Giuliani, Riordan, Iowa Representative Fred Grandy, Virginia Senator John Warner, and even Ronald and Nancy Reagan are also clearly worried that the GOP is embracing a more right-wing, conservative agenda. And if 1996 sees the Republicans nominate a far-right, ultraconservative like former Vice President Dan Quayle, Texas Senator Phil Gramm, or Senate leader Bob Dole, look for even more defections.

leader Bod Dute, took
more defections.
In addition, there's now the
fear among GOPers that bloodletting within the party will
accelerate as moderates – such
as Senator Warner,
Massachusetts Governor
William Weld, N.J. Governor
Christine Whitman, numerous
GOP House members, and even
Barry Goldwater – unite to save
the party from the Quayles,

Doles, Helmses, Buchanans, etc. Party moderates are reportedly determined that the 1996 GOP Convention not be controlled by those Republicans tied to the powerful Christian right, so that their next presidential hopeful avoids the fate suffered by George Bush thanks to Pat Robertson and others of his ilk.

#### **Election notes**

Any of the "Lavender Sweep" candidates who won Tuesday can take office knowing they owe nothing to state Senator Quentin Kopp. In his Kopp's Voter Guide, the Independent senator couldn't find a single gay or lesbian can-



Republican Gov. William Weld of Massachusetts

didate good enough to endorse.
Not a lot of tears being shed over at City Hall over Chief Administrative Officer Rudy Nothenburg's recent announcement that he will be resigning his post sometime after the first of the year. One City Hall long-timer quipped that "this place hasn't had a person with such arrogance since George George

timer quipped that "this place hasn't had a person with such arrogance since George Christopher left office." N.Y. Governor Mario Cuomo, fighting hard for re-

N.Y. Governor Mario Cuomo, fighting hard for reelection, told a conservative group in very Republican Queens County last week that he "envisions a place where any kid can feel safe to go to school, whether he's black or white, Latin or gay, or lesbian or Polish, whatever the heck he/she is." They don't like that kind of talk in Queens, Guv.

Okay, Quan, Leal, Conroy, Burton, Teng, Kopp, Dolson, Katz, Courtney, Jackson, Shelley, Fang – and all the rest of you would-be officeholders – the battle is over, so let's see if you and your people can get all those (mostly illegal) signs that are everywhere down and down quickly. Yet another inexcusable, unnecessary blight on a city that has enough eyesores.

eyesores.

The homophobic Christian Coalition, an offshoot of Pat Robertson's failed 1988 presidential campaign, distributed 33 million "election guides" to churches and other "Christian" outlets this past weekend, mostly backing GOP candidates who espouse Robertson's anti-gay, anti-abortion line. But when B.A.R. editor Mike Salinas called to request one the operator asked him for his name and address, and – suddenly –the name of his church. When he wasn't ready with an answer, the coalition operator rung off, and no election guide ever arrived. Guess they didn't print 33,000,001.

Washington insiders claim

Washington insiders claim moderate Republican Senator Arlen Specter (remember the Clarence Thomas/Anita Hill hearings?) will be the first to declare for his party's presidential nomination. Specter aides say the announcement will be any day now.

any day now.

Hey, if it works for you ...

Republican Attorney General

Dan Lungren managed to make

it to November 7 without taking

a stand on controversial Prop.

187, by insisting every time he

was asked that he hadn't had

time to read it yet.

was asked that he hadn't had time to read it yet.

A recent New York Times/CBS News poll revealed that "disgust" with Congress is at an all-time high, with over 60 percent of those asked unable to name a representative or senator from either party they admired.

The Quote of the Week is from Democratic Party state Chairperson Bill Press, who stunned a San Bernadino audience last week when he said that he was "sick and tired" of people who sneak across the border into California in the dark of the night, refuse to pay state taxes, but then take advantage of state services. Press sounded very much like a Republican speaking in favor of Prop. 187. The resounding silence was broken by laughter, however, when Press continued, "But enough about Michael Huffington ... ."

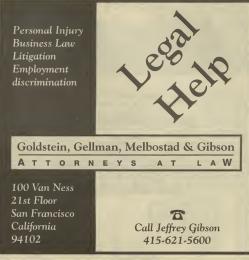
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### Bridge Builder

Skin Deep is for "women of color who want to understand color who want to understand the struggles of other women of color who want to form alliances/coalitions with women of different national, cultural, racial, or ethnic origins; women of color looking for ways to heal from the unhealthy behaviors of white western culture; women of color who want to explore the intersections of oppression as it is experienced by different groups; and for anyone who groups; and for anyone who wishes to alter the oppressive, ethnocentric, and patriarchal behaviors so deeply woven into the fabric of America."

– Elena Featherston

Deep: Women Writing on Color, Culture and Identity is Color. a new anthology of essays, poetry, interviews and other writings by women of color (Crossing Press, \$14.95). It boasts work by 53 contributors, some of whom are wellknown published writers and activists, and some of whom have never before written for publication but because of their part of the dialogue on race and color in this country.

Accounts from women of various backgrounds – African,

Asian, Latina, Sephardic Jew, Middle Eastern, Native Hawaiian, First Nation, and combinations thereof – fill this book. Each of their writings is powerful and honest in a man-ner that challenges every read-er's own prejudices, fears and stereotypical cultural notions; their work calls the status quo into question in a way that has not been done enough, if ever,

not been done enough, if ever, in the public sphere.

The anthology was edited by Elena Featherston, a local writer, lecturer, producer/director and self-defined cultural worker. She has gathered between the covers of this very needed, anthology, takes of needed anthology tales of racism, colorism and cross-racial hostility, which she explains in her preface, explains in her preface, "Musing on Race and Color in America.

Featherston has taken her meanings for the words "racism," "colorism," and "cross-racial hostility" from writings by other women of color. Her definition of colorism is taken from Alice Walker's essay, "If the Present Looks Like the Past, What Does the Future Look Like?" from In Search of Our Mother's

Walker says in this essay that " ... Colorism [is] – in my definition, prejudicial or preferential treatment of same-race people based solely on their color ... ." This is where the detrimental shade distinctions within ethnicities/races, such as high-yellow and blackberry, come into play. The phenome-non is often discussed as inter-nalized racism or internalized white supremacy. (This is not to say that these concepts are dis-cussed nearly as often as they need to be, but that when these reinforcers of racism within communities of color are dis-



Elena Featherston

cussed, these are the most com-

mon names given to the experience or state of being.)

With the words of V.R.

Harris and T. Ordona in "Developing Unity Among

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Women of Colo Haciendo Caras: Faces, Making Color' Making Soul, Featherston goes on to explain racism as "prejudice plus power" and cross-racial hostility as "prejudice trying to feel powerful."

These distinctions having been made among prejudices and experiences of them, *Skin Deep* is an anthology that can help us understand and dismantle our prejudices, and begin to build alliances cross-culturally without losing our specific cul-tural distinctions and becoming the mass of "other" to which people of color are often rele-gated in this society.

On another note ...

Besides being interested by the possibilities that this book represents, I am also interested in a problem it brings up for me. Where are the men? Not in *Skin Deep* obviously, but in the effort to dismantle racism, colorism, and cross-cultural hostility by forming alliances among communities of color? Why is this work being done by women?

In this anthology, of course, the experience of beauty and self-worth as they relate to race color is specific

women's lives, but in society at large, women seem to be the predominant force in building working relationships between and among communities of color.

and among communities of color.

Oppressions by race and sex are inextricably connected, but this does not explain why, for example, the public conversation between Anna Deveare Smith and Patricia Williams on these issues this past Sunday was attended by mostly all women (most of whom were lesbians). Are no men (or at least more than the few at the conversation) a part of the group of "anyone who wishes to alter the oppressive, ethnocentric, and patriarchal behaviors so deeply woven into the fabric of America?"

Of course, men may fear losing something, namely power, from altering patriarchal behaviors, but they have something to gain as well, especially gay men whose concression is tight.

gain as well, especially gay men whose oppression is tightly bound to sexism and more loosely to racism in this country. If any gay men have made it to the end of this column, I hope to see you at a reading, lecture, protest, workshop – something, anything – addressing these issues soon. Your future may depend on it.

Elena Featherston and local contributors to Skin Deep, including Jennifer Tseng, Avotcja, Norma Elena Soto, Victoria Lena Manyarrows, Genny Lim and others, will be reading at Old Wives' Tales bookstore on Tuesday, November 15. For more information contact the bookstore at (415) 821-4675.

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### Lesbian Den Mothers Go Camping With the Cub Scouts

by Mary Ann Swissler East Bay Correspondent

When parents saw Cub Scout leader Linda M. wearing her "Girl Scout Gone Bad" teeshirt, they knew something was different about this den mother.

"I used to wear it to all the outings. It had all the other par-

She paused, whereupon part-ner Edie M. finished Linda's sentence. "Worried," said Edie, who is also involved with the Cub Scouts.

These two Oakland residents These two Oakland residents are like most married couples trying to raise four kids, earn a living, and get along with each other. Their union was formalized at St. Paul's Church in Oakland. The one exception is that they're lesbian and face the added dimension of homophobia.

And yet, despite an official Boy Scout of America policy against homosexual group leaders, their involvement with an East Bay Cub Scout den has afforded them and their four kids a shelter from the storm.

All four kids – a 12-year-old boy, two 8-year-old boys, and a 7-year-old girl – have been taunted at school for having gay parents. "They're getting more flak from the kids that are not in the Cub Scouts program," said Edie 33

Edie, 33.
"There won't be a week that "There won't be a week that goes by that something doesn't happen," said Linda, 30. "A lot of the students causing problems are coming from East Oakland or from up in the Hills, and the parents don't care—they condone this kind of behavior." Apparently so does the school district, which denied a transfer request for the safety of the children

denied a transfer request for the safety of the children.

At the other end of the spectrum, both said, are lesbian separatists who believe their male kids should have been given up for adoption. What they're giving up are women's retreats and feetingle, that soften admission. festivals that refuse admission to male children over the age of

In their Cub Scout pack, only one parent "went ballistic" and pulled his son out after meeting Linda, who "looks like a lesbian." A few others asked Edie what they should call her and Linda, who told one and Linda, who told one woman, "Well, I don't know she's my husband, and I'm her size's my nusband, and I'm her wife." And if someone still can't tell from Linda's hand-some good looks, there's a dog tag hung around her neck that reads DYKE.

"We have kids from trying the straight, married scene. Both of us tried it. Didn't work," said Linda.

One remnant of mainstream society neither woman wanted to leave behind was scouting. Explained Linda, "When I was a kid I just always wanted to be a Boy Scout. Girl scouting was-n't good enough. [Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts] was an experi-ence that I did not want to keep away from my boys. ... I was bia that goes along with it. But my feeling was that the good he'd get out of it far outweighed the bad."

Their 7-year-old daughter has become somewhat of an honorary Cub Scout, they said,



Family values: Lesbian moms Linda (left) and Edie have worked for change in the Boy Scouts from the inside out through their involvement in their three sons' (pictured here) East Bay Cub Scout pack.

adding that they would never get involved in the Girl Scouts since most of the activities are geared towards traditional women's things like sewing and

cooking.

An organization like the Cub An organization like the Cub Scouts is important for parents today, said Edie. "There's not a lot of things you can do with your children in the inner city," she said. "Boy Scouts offers programs where you can get children out of the city and teach them things that will get teach them things that will get them ready to go and deal with the cruel, hard world. And make

them nicer about it."

Added Linda, "In this particular pack that we're involved in, ular pack that we're involved in, I think everyone is involved in it to give their boys a good, healthy experience." The politics of the BSA are less important to them, she believes.

If push ever came to shove, and official Boy Scout of

America policy were enforced, what would happen? The pair said they are unsure. After the one parent switched dens because of Linda and Edie, Linda said she posed this same question to the pack leadership, which assured her, "Don't worry about it. The pack is going to cover for you."

going to cover for you."

On a day-to-day basis, it's a non-issue, said Linda. "Nobody is saying anything in the pack. Everybody seems to be excited about all the different things we're doing and the ideas we have. I think that's where the focus is – what we're doing with the boys and not so much who's sleeping with whom, because that doesn't really mat-

If difficulties do exist, an ice If difficulties do exist, an ice breaker is the first campout for new scouting parents. "All the brand new Cub families come for the first camp out. It's always a riot. I think it's the funniest thing I've ever seen in my life because they don't. my life, because they don't know how to camp, and they don't know how to set up their

don't know how to set up their tents. And they look to those people who've been around a while to give them a hand.

"And when that person who's going to make that lantern light for you, or make sure you get fed, happens to be gay, you don't care anymore because you need them. And then there's a different level of respect that's developed between the people. It's like, 'Gee you really are a real

human being. You didn't make me gay because you helped me, and you touched me and I didn't instantaneously homosexual, so maybe you're

become instantaneously a homosexual, so maybe you're okay."

Neither think a separatist movement is the solution. "Integration is the key," said Linda. "I could see with the Boy Scouts, having a pack that was comprised of boys that were gay or bisexual might be in order, to let those youngsters grow and feel okay about who they are. And that might be a really positive thing."

Edie stressed that with her own children she steers them away from stereotyping. "I always viewed the terms gay and straight as stupid. It's called separatism.... All we're doing is putting labels on each other, and if you erase the labels, there's no difference. We've been teaching the kids that not that there's no real difference—but you've got to look at the person's personality and their feelings. Not with what they are. Unfortunately, Scouting hasn't gotten that yet."

For both she and Linda, taking their own advice and rising above petty politics has grown fruit. Said Linda: "It's a rewarding experience to see the boys grow. It's almost a tearjerker

fruit. Said Linda: "It's a reward-ing experience to see the boys grow. It's almost a tearjerker because they come in as little second graders that have no idea what they're doing with themselves and they leave at the end of fifth grade able to pack un a backnack set un their own up a backpack, set up their own tents, and cook their own meals. They're now ready to handle an

emergency situation."

And ultimately, both are seen as a winning pair through-out the scouts.

out the scouts.

While there may be whispers of comments made out of earshot, officially they have been encouraged. Linda's volunteer job as assistant Cub Scout leader is one notch above the entry-level den mothering, Edie is always in demand for the entry-level den mothering, Edie is always in demand for archery instruction, and both are taking training for Boy Scout troop leadership.

Neither is sure of what the future will hold with the Boy Scouts. Linda said that she just hopes the archiviography policies.

hopes the exclusionary policies change. "I'm sorry the Boy Scouts has the policies it does, because what they're doing is condemning families,"

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# Gay Smoke Out Catches Fire

by Mary Ann Swissler East Bay Correspondent

An easy way to become politically involved is to throw out those nasty cigarettes. If the absence of ash in your lungs doesn't make you feel better, the politics should: boycotting tobacco for even a day will hit Republican U. S. Senator Jesse Helms of North Carolina – the largest tobacco-producing state in the country – where it hurts.

And the money saved can go to organizations supporting breast cancer or AIDS research.

this year's "Gay America Smoke Out" on November 17, modeled after the Great American Smoke Out for more American Smoke Out for more mainstream smokers. Smoking cessation classes geared towards a gay and lesbian audience will be offered, beginning this month next year, according to Gabrielle Antolovich, a part time outreach worker with the Billy DeFrank Lesbian and Gay Community Center in San Jose, and Gay Smoke Out organizer. She explained that the Gay

Smoke Out is part of public education efforts that were mandated by the tobacco tax passed in

Cigarette tax money collect-ed through Proposition 99 has already sliced cigarette sales in California by 1.1 billion packs since the legislation was passed in 1988, she said. That hasn't stopped the industry from stepping up their marketing to the gay and lesbian community, however. Philip Morris came out with their Special Kings in 1992 – introduced in Washington to correspond to the

National March on Washington that year – and Marlboro "Castroized" its traditional Cowboy billboards, according to Antolovich, by featuring a pair of "very friendly" Cowboys.

Cowboys.

Antolovich said these classes are important. "Instead of berat-

ing smokers, we're supporting smokers," she said.

"The Last Drag" smoking cessation classes will also be offered at two sites in the Bay Area. In San Francisco, classes will be held at 7 p.m. at the Lyon Martin Women's Health Services, 1748 Market Street, Suite 201, on November 9, 16, 23, 25, and 30, and December 7 and 14. Call (415) 565-7676 for

and 14. Call (415) 565-7676 for more information.

The Women's Cancer Resource Center, located at 3023 Shattuck Avenue in Berkeley, will hold classes for lesbians and bisexual women wanting to stop smoking on January 23 and 30 and February 6, 8, 13, 20, and 27. All classes start at 7 p.m. Call (415) 565-7676 for details. ▼



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#### **COMMUNITY BRIEFS**

**DIGNITY/San Jose Sponsors** 

Dialogue About Gays, Catholics
Reclaiming Your Faith, an informational dialogue for getting in touch with an affirming Catholic Community, will be sponsored by DIG-NITY/San Jose, next Thursday, November 17 from 7:30 to 9 p.m. at the Billy DeFrank Community Center, located at 175 Stockton Avenue in San Jose. Bill Welch, chairperson of Dignity/San Jose said the dialogue is designed to Dignity/San Jose, said the dialogue is designed to address issues prompted by recent inquiries into contemporary Catholic thought, expression, and worship, and the encouragement of lesbians, gays, and historyhild to estimate the statement of th

worsinp, and the encouragement of lesbians, gays, and bisexuals to actively participate.

The event will include a brief introduction, followed by a question and answer period. DIGNITY/San Jose is a chapter of DIGNITY/USA, a support organization and advocate for lesbian, gay, and bisexual Catholics and friends.

For more information with DICNITY/SAN.

For more information write DIGNITY/SAN JOSE, P.O. BOX 2177, Santa Clara, CA 95055-2177, or call (408) 977-4218.

**Marin HRC Accepting Noms for** 

MLK Jr. Humanitarian Awards
The Marin County Human Rights Commission
is now accepting nominations for the 1994 Martin
Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Awards, says
spokeswoman Patricia Maguire. Five recipients,
the base sizes outstanding service to Marin who have given outstanding service to Marin County in the area of civil and human rights, will be honored at the 14th annual dinner, Maguire said. Individuals and community organizations are invited to complete and return nomination forms by November 28. Requirements are that the

nominees be strong advocates for human rights, and live or work in Marin County.

This year, the Marin Community Foundation will once again award \$5,000 in stipends: each of the five awardees will be invited to select a non-profit agency to receive a \$1,000 stipend in his or her page.

The awards presentation and annual dinner will be held on Thursday January 12, 1995 at the Holiday Inn in Terra Linda, Maguire said. For further information, call Maguire at (415) 499-6189.

#### **Reach Out and Plant a Tree for Someone**

Working Assets, a telephone company that is socially responsible and very gay/lesbian friendly, invites San Franciscans and visitors to plant a tree this weekend at the AIDS Memorial Grove.

this weekend at the AIDS Memorial Grove.

A workday is planned for this Saturday,
November 12 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Working
Assets and other co-sponsors will assist volunteers in weeding, clearing debris, and planting
trees and shrubs to create a beautiful site for
remembrance, healing, and hope.

The AIDS Memorial Grove is the first significant living memorial dedicated to those lost to
AIDS and to those whose lives have been affected by AIDS.

The grove is located in Golden Gate Park at De Lavega Dell, a wooded glen at the intersection of Bowling Green Drive and Middle Drive (opposite

the tennis courts).

For more information on AIDS Memorial Grove, call (415) 750-8340.

- Kent Brandley

#### Election

(Continued from page 1)

California's incumbent Governor Pete Wilson will be back for a second term in the statehouse. He was largely written off a year ago, when he was trailing Democrat Kathleen Brown in the polls by 23 points, but he came back with a vengeance, mostly on the back of Prop. 187.

In other statewide races, the

In other statewide races, the GOP sweep carried Matt Fong into the state treasurer's office, easily re-elected Attorney General Dan Lungren, elevated right-wing Assemblymember Chuck Quackenbush to the post of insurance commissioner, and threatened the Democrats' con-trol of the Assembly for the first time in nearly two

decades.

Democrat Gray Davis was elected lieutenant governor, husinesswoman Kathleen Connell (D) appeared to be the next controller, and pro-gay Democrat Delaine Eastin of the East Bay won the superintendent of public instruction posi-

The hotly contested secretary of state race was almost a dead heat, with about 45 per-

cent each for Democrat Tony cent each for Democrat Tony Miller and his conservative GOP opponent, Bill Jones. Miller, who would have been the first openly gay person to win statewide office, was trailing his GOP challenger by about 50,000 votes at press time; most analysts think that the yet-to-be-counted absentee ballots will eventually make Jones the victor.

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Among the statewide propositions, Prop. 187 (illegal immigration) won by a huge margin, and Prop. 184 (three strikes) also came out on top. Prop. 188, the pro-tological leg Prop. 188, the pro-tobacco leg-islation, was a loser, as was Prop. 186, the single-payer health initiative.

According to the most

recent tallies at press time, San Francisco County propositions that won included H (domestic that won included H (domestic partners) and J (newspaper legal ads), plus L, N (Mayor Jordan's GA/"rent assistance" proposal), P, Q and R. Measure

proposal), P, Q and R. Measure M, which would have forbade sitting or lying on public sidewalks, was defeated.

The Board of Supervisors will again boast three gays; incumbents Carole Migden and Susan Leal will be joined by longtime activist Tom Ammiano. Kevin Shelley, the

top vote-getter, will apparently be the new board president (Migden came in second), and Mabel Teng, who beat out incumbent Annemarie Conroy, takes the fifth supervisorial

takes the fifth supervisorial spot.

Lawrence Wong, a gay man, and lesbian Leslie Katz, an attorney, won seats on the Community College Board, completing the Lavender Sweep. And in Southern California, lesbian Sheila James Kuehl won an Assembly seat

to the gay and lesbian commu-nity, voters in Idaho and Oregon turned back anti-gay measures, but a county-wide one passed in Florida.

Still unknown at press time was whether Karen Burstein won her race for NY state attor-

won ner race for NY state attorney general.

One bright spot for Democrats was Senator Dianne Feinstein's apparent cliffhanger victory over Michael Huffington by approximately two percentage points, 47-45. Absentee ballots remain to be counted, but the networks were proclaiming victory for Feinstein, despite Huffington's refusal to concede as late as Wednesday night. ▼

### **New Charity To Grant PWAs Wishes**

A Milpitas man with AIDS who says he is now living "on borrowed time" has organized a non-profit association to grant – when possible – the dying wish-

when possible – the dying wishes of people with AIDS.

"I'm trying to get this all done before I die," Mark Dalton told the B.A.R. in an interview Tuesday. He is board president of "Corky and Mark's AIDS Wish Association" which has recently filed as a non-profit association with the state of California. Internal Revenue non-profit status is pending, Dalton said.

The fledgling organization

Dalton said.

The fledgling organization has no paid staff at this point, Dalton indicated. Ultimately, he said, 90 percent of any funds raised will go to grants for travel, amusement, and entertain-ment for PWAs, and ten percent will be reserved for operational expenses. Bylaws of the association say operating expenses may never exceed 20 percent of funds raised.

The association needs a vol-unteer grant writer and "direction on how to get corporate sponsors," Dalton said. Upon of directors, mainly from the San Jose area, will appoint a director to replace Dalton.

Before Dalton's dear friend Dennis Dozer died of AIDSrelated causes last September,

Dozer



to make the trip. Dalton said he would Mark Dalton arrange it, him. But Dozer then entered the

him. But Dozer then entered the hospital and never made it.

Later, while attending what he calls "A Celebration of Dennis's Life" in Columbus, Dennis's Lite in Columbus, Ohio in October, it occurred to Dalton there were other people with AIDS in the same predica-ment. He conceived the idea of a non-profit association to provide resources that would make it possible for PWAs to realize their last wishes.

Dalton says he founded the association also as a memorial to Clyde Alden "Corky" Weeks, his life partner who died in July, 1993, and "to feel that from my life I have left some type of ongoing legacy.

ongoing legacy.

Only persons will full-blown
AIDS will be eligible for funds
for travel, amusement park
admissions, theater tickets, or
other types of entertainment,
Dalton sid. Dalton said.

The association's goal is to raise \$50,000 to \$75,000 by January 1, Dalton said. "We will then be able to begin accepting

and processing requests."

"As a person with AIDS, I know first-hand what a devastating and lonely disease this can be," Dalton said. "Hopefully with this association we will be able to make it a little less dev-astating and lonely for other individuals with AIDS."

Individuals making a dona-

tion will be placed on the asso-ciation's permanent mailing list and will be kept up to date on requests received and grant amounts, without the name of

Silver Spur awards luncheon next Wednesday, November 16 at the Sheraton Palace Hotel, Halsted announced.

une recipient, Dalton said. "A quarterly financial report will also be provided so donors can monitor income and expenses of the association," he added.

For further information write Corky and Mark's AIDS Wish Association at 848 Russell Lane, Milpitas, CA 95035, voice (408) 934-1063, fax (408) 934-1859, or on Prodigy E-Mail at address DYBR60A. Proudly Serving the Russian River Area!



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### **Chappell Time To Begin at SPUR** Chappell will be introduced to the community in his new role as executive director at the

Another openly gay man has Another openly gay man has been appointed as executive director of the San Francisco Planning and Urban Research Association (SPUR), SPUR president Anne Halsted announced Friday, November 4.

Jim Chappell, a 50-year-old professional land use planner who came to San Francisco from Denver 17 years ago and who has been active in lesbian and gay affairs, replaces Tom

and gay affairs, replaces Tom Nolan, former San Mateo County Commissioner who left SPUR to direct Project Open

Chappell, a founding member of Gays and Lesbians in Planning (GALIP), will start to work in his new post on November 28.

SPUR, a coalition of individ-uals and businesses whose mission is to promote the common interest and which focuses on San Francisco planning, eco-nomic and city government issues, is a non-profit public policy think tank also noted for

policy think tank also noted for its thorough analysis of city propositions at election time.

"This really should say something to the gay/lesbian community and to the straight community as well," Chappell told the B.A.R. in a brief interview Tuesday, November 8.

"We have arrived. Our unique outlook is recognized and valoutlook is recognized and valued in the halls of influence," Chappell said. He said SPUR Chappell said. He said SPUR offers the gay/lesbian community a real chance to get involved and to help SPUR promote the public interest and not just specifications. cial interests

cial interests.

"I'm thrilled with Jim Chappell's appointment," said Nolan. "It's wonderful to have an openly gay professional in this major position in the civic life of San Francisco. Knowing his work at GALIP, he brings professional to until the presental to the professional to the presental to the professional to the presental to the presentation to the p professional as well as personal qualities to the office which will be a major benefit to San Francisco. The city and SPUR



Jim Chappell

should both be pleased with this

appointment."

Chappell was previously with the international planning firm of EDAW, Inc., the largest landscape architectural firm in the world, serving as the firm's senior, environmental planner. senior environmental planner. He was executive director of the He was executive director of the Architectural Foundation of Northern California from 1985 through 1987 and later directed through 1987 and later directed the Environmental Design Foundation of Northern California. Chappell is currently on the faculty of the University of California at Berkeley Extension, where he teaches landscape architecture and urban design.

SPUR is supported by a combination of over 1,300 individual members and 200 business that pool their resources to pursue common objectives, Halsted

SPUR has a total of three employees, including the direc-

tor.

Chappell will continue the policies of Nolan in building gay and lesbian membership and adding gays, lesbians, and people of color to the board of directors, Halsted said in a statement announcing the appoint. ment announcing the appoint-

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### **Up-to-date AIDS Info Goes Online**

by Eva Emerson

The battle against AIDS was given its own exit on the information superhighway October 31, with the unveiling of a computer online service that will link activists, researchers, and caregivers across the nation. The service, dubbed the AIDS/HIV Forum, will eventually link thousands of AIDS organizations, enabling them to share new developments in public policy, prevention, treatment resources, and funding opportunities. The network will allow access to crucial information that can make a difference in the daystooday work of those in the field. that can make a difference in the day-to-day work of those in the field,

organizers said.

The Kaiser Family Foundation, along with Apple Computer, provided \$350,000 in cash and equipment to create the forum, which is available on the nonprofit network called HandsNet of Cupertino, California.

available on the nonprolit network called HandsNet of Cupertino, California.

"We identified a gap in AIDS service organizations' access to the latest AIDS/HIV information," said Dr. Mark Smith, executive vice president of the foundation. "The online service ... is valuable because it allows for an almost immediate exchange of critical information by those on the front lines of the AIDS epidemic."

Pam Miracle of Apple told the Bay Area Reporter, "This is a great use of a grant. We're happy to be supporting this one."

Organizations that already provide information about the disease – including the Centers for Disease Control, National AIDS Clearinghouse, and the Center for AIDS Prevention Studies at the University of California, San Francisco – will use the network to electronically "publish" and manage information available online. "We've spent the past eight months working with national AIDS organizations, training them to be electronic publishers and managers of their on-line information," said Sam Karp, a HandsNet officer.

Issues on the forum will cover a wide spectrum including summaries of successful prevention programs, databases on open clinical drug trials, and a "how-to" on fundraising for community AIDS organizations.

The forum "will greatly enhance information sharing collaboration."

The forum "will greatly enhance information sharing, collaboration, and cross-sector learning," commented Paul Kawata of the National Minority AIDS Council, which helped to organize the network. ▼

For more information call HandsNet at (408) 257 4500.

### Task Force Moves Slowly -No, the Other Task Force

by Bob Roehr

Cautious optimism is per-haps the best way to describe the aura surrounding the National Task Force on AIDS Drug Development meeting that took place last weekend, October 27-28 mear Washington, D.C. The group is a major initiative by the Clinton administration, through Health administration, through realth and Human Services Secretary Donna Shalala, to facilitate development and approval of AIDS-related therapies.

"I think the last two days July meeting," said Peter Staley, a member of the task force and of the Treatment Action Group (TAG) in New

York City.
"Up until now I have been very frustrated with the task force's work because we have kind of been all over the map and not come up with any hard

and not come up with any nard recommendation on specific issues, with the exception of gene therapy and the regulatory process," Staley said.

Discussion of protease inhibitors, the most promising family of next generation anti-viral medications, highlighted the first day's activities. Staley is encouraged that the next full meeting of the task force, in February, will be dedicated to "looking comprehensively at development of protease development inhibitors."

We are going to haul in all "We are going to haul in all of the top executives of all of the companies who are developing protease and try to knock some heads together and get everybody working together. We don't want to repeat the mistakes that we made with the nukes [nucleoside analogs such as AZTI"]

#### Women and clinical trials

clinical trials
Women and clinical trials
opened the second day and
extended into twice its allotted
time. A 1977 Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regula-tion had barred women of child bearing potential from early Phase I and II clinical trials of

Phase I and II clinical trials of experimental drugs.

That was challenged in December 1992 by the HIV Law Project. Both the FDA and National Institutes of Health (NIH) subsequently lifted their gender-biased restrictions on expellment for clinical trials of gender-biased restrictions on enrollment for clinical trials of drugs for life threatening ill-nesses, except where there is "medical justification." They have also issued guidelines calling for gender inclusiveness and analysis in order to gain appropriate for new drugs.

approval of new drugs.

AIDS and women's advocates want more. ACT UP demonstrated outside the FDA in September and several dozen in September and several dozen members from around the country were back for this hearing. They held up posters reading "Guidelines are not enough. Access Now," and "Killing Time is Killing Women."

Dr. Maxine Wolfe, a researcher and member of ACT

UP, was invited to speak from the audience. She called the current policy "totally unwar-ranted paternalism."

She pushed the government to move beyond simply dropping restrictions, to formulate an affirmative mandate to include women in all phases of clinical trials, and to put resources into enforcement of

Theresa McGovern, attorney with the HIV Law Project and a member of the task force, was encouraged by the direcwas encouraged by the three tion the panel was moving. However, she noted there were "no teeth" in monitoring and enforcement provisions, those enforcement provisions, those need to be built into the system. She called upon the FDA to "use its regulatory power."
Both women pushed for "by gender analysis" of drug effects in trials, something which is only now being imple

Staley called the FDA response "unfortunate," as they knew the debate was coming. He wants them to mandate and enforce non-exclusionary policies in all phases of drug trials.

"That puts the burden of responsibility on the trial participant, where it always is anyway on these issues."

That burden can include death, as it did with FIAU. Last

year the experimental hepatitis B drug killed five of the first ten people enrolled in the Phase II trial at NIH. Most were gay

The FDA published new regulations, October 27, designed to shift the most basic presumptions in all clinical trials. "The data needs to be seen with as much skepticism optimism," said Fl spokesman Jim O'Hara.

It was a stark reminder that clinical trials are just that – experiments, not treatment. They often do not work and sometimes have unanticipated, even disastrous effects. ▼

### Bornstein Opens Historic Transgender Fest at Highways

by Karen Ocamb

Highways Performance Space in Southern California launched the first-ever transgen-der mini-festival "TransFusion" der mini-festival "TransFusion" in October with the production of transsexual artist Kate Bornstein's solo show Virtually Yours, Version 1.5. The questions addressed by the showwere formidable, and Horizons whetted audience members' appetites for them from the very beginning. Figen the dorway to the ning. Even the doorway to the fest was lined with a thematically relevant – and wonderful – exhibit by Bay Area photograph-er Loren Cameron, called "Our Visions, Our Voices: Transsexual Portraits and

Bornstein's Virtually Yours artistically examined the inter-nal life of a loving, frightened transsexual, using the metaphor of playing a computer game to deal with her writer's block. Bornstein's many characters in Virtually Yours address the central question of whether she should stay with her lesbian lover of four years – who now is becoming a man – from differ-



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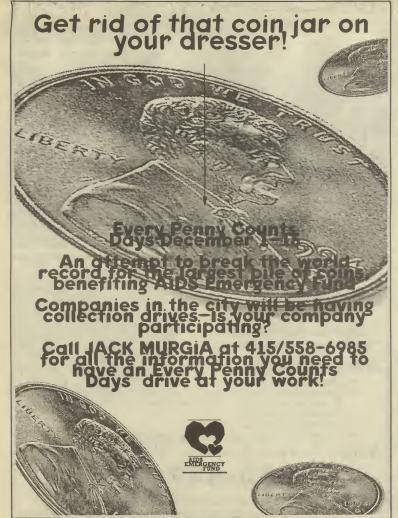
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man," she frets at one point,

man," she frets at one point, "is the woman I fell in love with."

Interestingly, the "other side" of the story – FTM (Female to Male) – was performed by Born-stein's FTM transsexual lover David Harrison on three occasions occasions before TransFusion fest closed October 30. ▼



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#### GLAAD

### A Cheer for the Jeer

by Al Kielwasser

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The "Cheers" of Jeers" column in TV Guide has once again sounded the call for lesbian and gay visibility. This time (in the November 5-11 issue), the magazine gave a jeer "to the whole darn U.S. TV industry, for failing to give us more Tales of the City." TV Guide's editors further explained: "Even though the Emmy-nominated PBS miniseries was both a critical and a popular fave, and Britain's Channel 4 promised \$4 million for a co-Emmy-nominated PBS miniseries was both a critical and a popular fave, and Britain's Channel 4 promised \$4 million for a coproduction, public TV decided against a sequel. Undaunted, the producers sought funding elsewhere, but the worthwhile project eventually died. Could it be that no one was willing to take the political heat surrounding Armistead Maupin's Tales, which feature prominent gay characters?"

TV Guide should be commended for giving yet another thumbs-down to homophobia in the television industry (and you might also want to encourage the editor to devote a feature story to the issue). Send your comments to Althea Disney, Editor-in-

to the issue). Send your comments to Althea Disney, Editor-in-Chief, TV Guide, Radnor, PA 19088 or e-mail tygeditor@del-phi.com (If you want your correspondence considered for publication, direct it to the Letters Department).

In a recent ad campaign, *The New York Times* has teamed up with talk-show bigot Rush Limbaugh. The new television spot "shows a smug Limbaugh reading the *Times* and endorsing it." The decision is – to say the least – ironic. While the *Times* has editorialized against anti-gay bigotry and violence, they've now hired a man whose career is built around the aggressive promotion of such evils. Moreover, Limbaugh's one-sided, misleading, and utterly deceitful books and talk-shows hardly exemplify the responsible, quality journalism to which the *Times* purportedly aspires.

responses, quanty sassociation with Rush Limbaugh, write to Arthur Ochs Sulzberger, Jr., Publisher, *The New York Times*, 229 West 43rd St., New York, NY 10036, tel. 212-556-1234.

Juliann Garey writes US magazine's "Essentials" column ("what you need to know this month"), and in the November '94 issue she encourages readers to rent the home video version of Silverlake Life: The View From Here. Says Garey: "All the devotion and commitment that are supposed to be implicit in the phrase 'to love and honor, in sickness and in health, till death do us part' are contained in Silverlake Life: The View From Here.

Most marriages do not last as long as the 22-year relationship shared by filmmaker Tom Jostin and his lover, Mark Massi, before both died of AIDS," Garey described the documentary as "graceful," "intensely moving," "frequently witty," and "sometimes here itself here is the state of the state

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Direct comments to Juliann Garey, "Essentials," and/or US
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Diller Pickle

Last week's "Media Watch" column included QVC's Barry Diller amongst those media moguls who have finally come out. Alas, it seems that Diller is still swinging from the back hanger of the closet. In his career as a closeted gay man, Diller has promoted such notorious homophobes as Eddy Murphy and Andrew Dice Clay, leading columnist Michelangelo Signorile to label him "the supreme self-hater."

Ironically, Diller – who wants to keep his own homosexuality an invisible, dirty little secret – is being touted as one of the sponsors of an awards ceremony that will honor lesbian and gay visibility in the entertainment industry. At its 23rd Anniversary Gala (November 19), the L.A. Gay & Lesbian Community Services Center will give a Corporate Vision Award to HBO for the company's enlightened broadcasting. The gala's "Corporate Sponsorship Committee" includes the eminently disqualified Barry Diller.

Barry Diller.

Over five years ago, Armistead Maupin reminded us that "certainly we shouldn't continue to lionize those among us who are making a success of themselves in the mainstream while remaining so determinedly in the closet ... even if they are doing all the benefits and everything." Perhaps those involved with the upcoming gala might heed the advice of lesbian comedian Robin Tyler, who was quoted recently in San Diego's Gay & Lesbian Times: "What would you think of people in South Africa, black people who passed for white in order to gain acceptance from a society that was systematically destroying and murdering those people under apartheid? If they did that they'd be called traitors, only we call it 'the closet' and somehow we seem to be understanding – and we shouldn't be."

Comments or inquiries can be directed to The L.A. Gay & Lesbian Community Services Center, 1625 North Hudson Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90028-9998, tel. 310-996-1188.

#### **Media Briefs**

Check out the November '94 issue of Wired magazine, which includes the article "We're Teen, We're Queer, and We've Got E-Mail." You can reach the slick glossy at 520 Third St., S.F., CA 94107, tel. 415-222-6200, fax 415-222-6209. Online: editor@wired.com (editorial) or info@wired.com (other).

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The event was inspired by last year's very first California AIDS Ridesm. Five hundred participants made the trip and raised over \$1.6 million for critical AIDS services at the Los Angeles Gay & Lesbian Community Services Center. Most of them had never done anything like this before in their lives. Many didn't even own a bike when they registered. But when they were done, they described it as a life-changing experience.

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-RIDER RON JAMES

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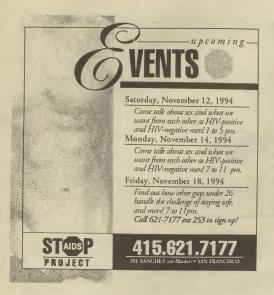
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#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### **Victory Fund Redoubles** Outreach to People of Color

by Mary Ann Swissler East Bay Correspondent

Oakland healthcare executive Brenda Crawford Oakland healthcare executive Brenda Crawford traveled to New York last June, standing shoulder to shoulder in the sweltering heat with enough sexual minorities to fill a small country. Independence for gay people never rang truer.

And yet it wasn't until last Saturday that Crawford got started on her real dream: full inclusion of persons of color in the gay and leshing civil

sion of persons of color in the gay and lesbian civil

rights movement.

It started in New York when she sadly realized

that during the commemoration of the riot by largely African-American and Puerto Rican drag queens, most of the millions there were white.

So the souvenir Crawford brought back was a

So the souvenir Crawford brought back was a determination to make visibility among gays and lesbians of color a priority, drawing on her experience in delivering services which were culturally sensitive, as executive director of the West Oakland Health Center. "I come from an incredibly vibrant, creative, and energetic community," she said.

Through her position on the executive beautiful and the control of the control of

Through her position on the executive board of the Victory Fund, to which she was sworn in on November 5, Crawford plans on implementing these sentiments through political action in Oakland. "This year the Victory Fund endorsed 13 candidates. None were African-Americans," she told the mixed crowd of East Bay Lesbian and Gay Democratic Club and Victory Fund members. Crawford continued that the reason was not because they didn't want to, but because the pool of talent is invisible. "The only way our needs are going to get represented is by us. We need to come out of the closet. We need to be more visible, we need to be more open. We need to get involved." African-American lesbians and gays have always provided the backbone to their community's religious, civil and social organizations, but have been mute on the subject. Through her position on the executive board of

gious, civil and social organizations, but have been mute on the subject.

"Oakland is the city where we're going to come out. We're going to be at city council meetings, we're going to be everywhere in the city of Oakland, letting them know that we are here. We have a very vital and alive African-American lesbian and gay community in the city."

Victory Fund's first winner, Seattle city councilwoman Sherry Harris, attended the meeting, as did Clinton administration staff member R. Paul Richard, who is openly eav; outgoing mayor of

Richard, who is openly gay; outgoing mayor of Berkeley, Jeffrey Leiter, the first openly gay mayor in the Bay Area; Oakland Mayor Elihu Harris; and Jeffrey G. Gibson, San Francisco attorney and Victory Fund board member.

Gibson said work for change must come now because the gay and lesbian community is still far hebind organizationally compared to the immense

behind organizationally compared to the immense power behind the radical right's hate mongering machinery. "We're back in 1969, Stonewall-era,"

machinery. "We're back in 1969, Stonewall-era," Gibson said.
The African-American gay and lesbian community in particular, Crawford and Harris noted, is even further behind the curve than their white counterparts, wondering whether their ethnicity or their sexual orientation is more important, or whether gay women ought to be calling them-

Gibson acknowledged that the main reason Oakland was singled out for an upcoming training institute in May was because people of color have been absent from the rolls of Victory Fund. The Victory Fund has a twofold purpose, he explained: identifying and raising money for viable lesbian or gay candidates, and training people at the grass-roots community level. Sixteen to 18 candidates



Brenda Crawdford

will be recommended this year, Gibson said, ranging from city council races to the attorney general race in New York state.

Harris said that the point is to add not just our voices to the political process, but to increase visvoices to the pointean process, but to increase visibility since remaining in the closet only helps religious groups focus their anger on the gay community. Polls show that most Americans favor gay rights legislation, but, "The majority of people in America say that they have never met anyone who is gay," she said. "It is incumbent on us to make ourselves known, to be as visible as we can. We don't all have to run openly gay for public office, but we do need to be out, to be involved, to be sup-

but we do need to be out, to be involved, to be supporters of the community."

Outgoing Mayor of Berkeley and past-president of the East Bay Lesbian and Gay Democratic Club Jeffrey Leiter told the audience that Berkeley represents this ideal of visibility and normalcy. "This is the payoff for the 21st century. If we don't see that and take advantage of it and be part of it, then we've lost it," he said.

Oakland Mayor Elihu Harris called on potential civic leaders in the gay community to seek out the hidden, yet influential, boards and commissions that populate local and state governments.

Afterwards, Gibson described to the B.A.R. the far reach of the religious right. "The radical right

far reach of the religious right. "The radical right has this whole telephonic and mail thing," he said. "They will speak to one and one-half million people in the next three day period. And they're also going to drop 30 million mail pieces with this Christian Coalition voter sheet dealing with different states."

The Seattle City Councilwoman told the crowd the importance of overcoming fears about becoming a double minority by coming out of the closet.
"By being leaders in the broader gay community we can help others to make that connection, to make that claim and to make them see that united we stand and divided we fall. We cannot ask someone else to do what we would not do for our-selves," she said.

selves," she said.
"I think there is a tendency for us to be more fearful about coming out of the closet, more fearful about being open in the community. But when I think about the impact that we can have, we have no other choice but to become 'gay'," she said.
"If every gay person in every black Baptist church were to come out, at the very least they'd lose all the choir."

lose all the choir.

Through the training and fundraising of Victory Fund, said Gibson, African-Americans and the gay community as a whole can play catch up with political realities, and fulfill the passion of that initial spark that lit up a New York sky 25 years ago. ▼

#### Sebring

(Continued from page 2)

statement, Sebring planned the whole incident with an ex-boyfriend and after he was arrested decided "the thing had gone crazy" and gave the inmate Gabbert's cellular hone number and asked him to call Gabbert and threaten him.

The inmate said that Sebring a dangerous person who eats up the publicity on the case and says that Sebring also threatened him.

According to the inmate,

Sebring claimed that the inspira-tion for the abuse extortion attempt was inspired by sex abuse charges brought against superstar Michael Jackson by a

superstar Michael Jackson by a
14-year-old boy. The civil
charges were settled out of court
for a reported \$10-25 million.
Gabbert initially lied to
reporters by saying Sebring had
never been aboard his yacht and
downplaying the extent of his
contests with the young man.

contacts with the young man.

The inmate making the claims against Sebring was scheduled to be extradited to another state on a felony matter, but the extradition has been

delayed by the Superior Court because of his allegations against Sebring.

Sebring told the Bay Area Reporter in an interview that the only threats he ever made against Gabbert were "legal threats," and dismissed statethreats, and dismissed state-ments to authorities by psychol-ogist Davis Mannino, who alleged that Sebring had threat-ened to kill Gabbert in his pres-

Drous did not return Bay

Area Reporter phone calls.

A hearing to set a date for a preliminary hearing in the case will be held next month. ▼

## Academia Nutt Goes on Rampage in North Sacto

When Sam Ciraulo announced his bid for the office of Robla School Trustee in north Sacramento, it was because, in his words, he has a "commit-ment to serve the community and to make a positive contribu-tion to public education." In response to which, the ironically named Robla school board president, Ms. Theresa Nutt, went door-to-door with flyers oppos-ing Ciraulo's candidacy, simply because is a gay man.

But what was most notewor-

thy, at a time of much open hos-tility toward gay candidates, was not the school board president's disinformation. It was her spelling.

"Homosexual candidate Sam "Homosexual candidate Sam Ciraulo is running for Robla School Board," the flyers announced. "Do you know who your [sic] voting for?" When contacted by the B.A.R., the school board president said, "No comment," and hung up. Fellow board member Wendy Clymer who also proceed.

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Fellow board member
Wendy Clymer, who also passed
out the flyers, said her concern
was mainly that "people have a
right to know if a special interest

group is supporting a candidate.
"I just want people to know
what is going on. This is just a
small school district and people
should know about any candidate who's being given thousands of dollars."

Whatever Clymer meant by that ominous-sounding warning, Ciraulo received only a \$208 donation from Sacramento's gay and lesbian River City Democratic Club.

Oddly, despite her insistence that the community be fully informed, Clymer was not forthcoming about her own affiliations. She did not

Homosexual candidate Sam Ciraulo is running for Robla School Board. DO YOU KNOW WHO YOUR VOTING FOR? THAT NEWSPAPER Politicians Ask from fa Touching Gay & Lesbian Community for Help

The hate flyer circulated by bad speller but aptly named Robla School Board President Theresa Nutt, who doesn't know her contractions from her possessive pronouns.

acknowledge her "religious agenda" or her church affiliations, saying they were "not political."

What concerns Ciraulo even more than the terrible example set by the board of education's set by the board of education's president is the thought of the kind of education she passes along in her own life. He has a pretty good idea it's unpleasant, based upon a phone call he received.

"Her daughter, a pupil in the school district, called me up to tell me that she would be passing out flyers against me and that she doesn't approve of the book Heather Has Two Mommies being in her school. I haven't even seen that book, I don't know whether I approve

of it or not. They're just making the assumption that I'm going to give blanket approval to some Gay Agenda they've conjured

Gay Agenda they've conjured up.

"The pity is they've involved a child in this kind of bigoted thinking," he said. "What does this teach our children when school board members are passing out this kind of trash which the school is the said of the said was the said of the said was the said w which only serves to inflame hate and intolerance? This is not in the best interest of the

"If we continue to teach hate and intolerance, then we should-n't be surprised when our juvenile justice system fills up with young adults who commit hateful and intolerant acts," he said.

Robla

board member and gay commu-nity activist Gary Miller faced a similar problem in his bid for reelection two years ago. "Both of these women have strong, fun-damentalist beliefs which are extremely derogatory to gays and they are acting on those purportedly religious convictions," Miller said. "During my elec-tion they went door to door talking to people and making an issue of my being gay. But this time they're being more blatant about it, and I couldn't be prouder of my (Robla) communications. nity because people are really outraged and are responding

outraged and are responding with support for Sam. This community just won't tolerate that kind of malicious behavior."

Ciraulo, 37, cites his commitment to bringing his expertise in administration and budget management to the Robla beard. "I've hed to work braders." board, "I've had to work harder

and raise more money simply to fight the radical religious right and their despicable activities. Reasonable people simply don't act this way," he said. Ciraulo went on to say he believes it is an honor, not a right, to serve as an elected official and feels sad an elected official and feets sau that two of the present board members apparently don't have that same commitment. "I wouldn't do anything which would reflect poorly on the dig-nity of the Robla community or which would jeopardize the education of our children — and I will conduct myself according-

At B.A.R. presstime, it appeared that Ciraulo had lost the race by a margin of some

'Fear sells," he told the B.A.R.

Nutt and Clymer were reelected.

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### White House's R. Paul Richard: From Triple Minority to Triple Threat

by Mary Ann Swissler East Bay Correspondent

Bill Clinton: friend or foe?

That's a question that will circulate throughout the gay community for years to come. But whether or not everyone agrees with Bill Clinton's handling of gays in the military, one fact is inescapable: this president has given homophobia a run for its money.

Attorney and former Bay Area resident J. Paul Richard, one of about five openly gay White House staff members, is an example of how Clinton has supported lesbians and gays in government. Richard told a reception for Victory Fund on Saturday, November 5 that the president has made both his lower and himself at seas and that they both his lover and himself at ease, and that they have been asked to White House dinners as spouses – although they haven't been invited to spend

But far from being a sensational topic of con-But far from being a sensational topic of conversation, as many might expect, Richard said it's downright boring: he had to wrack his brains to come up with a speech for the Penn State University gay/lesbian/bisexual student club on what it was like to be out in the White House—specifically because it is so unremarkable.

Like most gay men and lesbians his age

Like most gay men and lesbians his age, Richard has spent much of his life living down some of the fears conveyed by his parents. After summoning the courage to come out to them, Richard recalled, his father's response was "You're black, you're Catholic, and now you have three strikes against you."

It took a long time he said to stop acking him.

It took a long time, he said, to stop asking him-self if maybe his father was right, even after the Stonewall riot. "And I remembered those brave, gay men in a small bar in Greenwich Village who finally said that they had had enough. But still I wondered if my father was really right." The moment of resolution came later, while he was

moment of resolution came later, while he was working in Washington.

"Nearly 20 years later, I found myself sitting behind a desk in a tiny, windowless office. But it was in the West Wing of the White House. You know what they say – the only thing that really counts is location. On the wall behind me hung a large picture of a Rainbow Flag, the symbol of Gay Pride and liberation. Next to my desk hung a picture of a gay, Catholic, African-American man, standing with four men who had served as President of the United States. In front of me was a picture of my lover of 13 years, and it was sitting next to an Executive Order that, once the President had signed it, would ensure that Russia and the United States would no longer aim their nuclear United States would no longer aim their nuclear

United States would no longer aim their nuclear weapons at each other.
"To my surprise at that moment, I again thought of my father. And I smiled when I realized that what was his nightmare, had become in many

ways the fulfillment of my dream."

Richard said that the fundraising efforts

Richard said that the fundraising efforts of Victory Fund represent another part of the fulfillment of that ideal. "This gathering, like those sourcenirs of success in my White House office, gives me hope that we can move beyond the fears of the past into the hopes of the future."

Afterwards he told the B.A.R. about life in Washington. "It's a struggle to really get people to turn around and adopt new ways of thinking."

About the decision for African-Americans to emerge from the closet, Richard commented, "I think it is more difficult to come out because of some of the structures in the African-American community. By the same token, there have long been gays and lesbians that everyone has known about. They just didn't talk about them publicly.

about. They just didn't talk about them publicly.
"But I think now it's really important that we no longer let that silence go on." ▼



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### Stephanopoulos Addresses Gay Group As '96 Elections Begin

As President and Mrs. Clinton flew around the country bolstering the campaign efforts of pro-Clinton Democrats, senior Administration advisor George Stephanopoulos came to West Hollywood to stump for the man who would be President again Afracall headspread the again. After all, he observed, the campaigns for the 1996 presidential elections begin the day after the November 8 elections.

There was considerable tension as Stephanopoulos, a short, handsome, brilliant man with tousled dark hair, walked into the reception room at Le Bel Age Hotel for a Friday, November 4 breakfast with gay politicos. There was excitement - this is as close as one can get to the Presidency other than Bill and Hillary - and there was trepidation: who would ask him about the horrendous gays-in-

the-military policy and how in the world would he respond? Was he coming to make peace as political expediency (read: money and a block of votes) or was he also part of the huge White House get-out-the-vote-especially-in-crucial-California effort?

Stephanopoulos called the "hateful" Prop. 187 "the single stupidest idea I've ever seen in stupidest idea I've ever seen in my life ... designed to divide people for no other reason than to get Pete Wilson elected." If it passed, he said "you ain't seen nothing yet" – it would send a message throughout the country and become an issue in the 1996 elections. The senior advisor. and become an issue in the 1996 elections. The senior advisor then went on to make a strong case for Clinton's unheralded accomplishments in the 20 months he's been in office including bringing the deficit down, signing the Crime Bill, the Assault Weapons Ban, lifting the Gag Rule on abortion, and passing the Family Leave Act, to name a few.

When Stephanopoulos shift-ed to gay issues, the rapt gay crowd of about 100 deepened their attention. Stephanopoulos talked about how, along with the economy, "strengthening the bond of community for everyone was at the heart of the campaign in 1992. It seems like a long time ago. There've been a lot of ups and downs since

then."

Stephanopoulos then stepped back and drew the big picture of the progress made by the Clinton Administration over the past 21 months. "There's probably been a lot of water under the bridge, but have made a hig start." bridge, but have made a big start on issues of importance to everyone," he said. The list everyone," he said. The list includes: setting up the Office of AIDS Research; increased funding for the Ryan White Education Act; 30 major Presidential appointments of openly gay and lesbian officials, such as Roberta Achtenberg at HIID and Bruce Lebman to HUD and Bruce Lehman to Patent Commissioner, several staff members throughout government, and the first openly lesbian judge in New York City; adding sexual orientation to all non-discrimination clauses in the cabinet, departments, and agencies – including the FBI; ensuring that sexual orientation ensuring that sexual orientation is not an issue in security classifications for the FBI, Department of Defense, or the CIA; the lifting of the ban on HIV-positive visitors to the United States to compete in the Gay. Gaussi including non-Gay Games; including non-discrimination based on sexual orientation in the earthquake relief programs for Los Angeles ("the first time that's ever hap-pened"); the Justice pened"); the Justice Department's full prosecution of all cases of discrimination against gays and lesbians under the Americans with Disabilities Act; and settling a case to bar discrimination in emergency medical assistance to people

with AIDS.
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lot of small ways, in a lot of departments you're never going to hear about," Stephanopoulos said. "Government is opening up, and that is such a huge difference from anything we ever faced before." He noted that the White House has also stood up against issues of discrimination such as the divisive anti-gay ini-

tiatives around the country.

"And he faces a lot of heat for these decisions," the senior Clinton advisor said, noting the avalanche of criticism heaped on Clinton by the Republicans in order to win back the Presidency in 1996. "There's a lot more danger at stake because if you look at what they're try-ing to do it's not just stopping what we're trying to do, the progress we're trying to make – they want to take us back. You see it right now in the initiatives all across the country. You see it every single time an issue that has to do with the gay and les-bian community reaches the floor of the Congress – you can forget about it because there's a knee-jerk reaction, lowest com-mon denominator politics, people just walk away. And we've been trying to make progress in the face of the extremism that's been increasing in the Republican party in the last 20

Stephanopoulos broached the gays in the mili-tary issue, saying, "It was an honest disagreement, it was a principled disagreement. But I can tell you one other thing: every single Republican is using that in every single race they can, all the time" more than any can, all the time more than any other issue. "In fact, they are doing everything they can to make sure the president is iden-tified with no issue but that issue. They are ruthless. They are going to stop at nothing. And we have only ourselves to blame if we allow them to get away

During the question and answer period Stephanopoulos fielded questions ranging from the Middle East peace talks to campaign finance reform. And although he was clearly prepared for the questions on specifically gay issues, he seemed less prepared for the passion of the questioners. The president, he told attorney John Duran, had "tried" on gays in the military, and he said he would sign the Employment Non-Discrimination Act if it got to his desk – and he later added that Clinton would "work for it."

But when former Air Force Lieutenant Jody Hoenniger "revisited" the gays in the mili-tary issue, Stephanopoulos appeared flustered. "The easiest thing for the President to do," he said, "would have been to say said, "would have been to say
"I'm for opening up the military.
I don't care if you guys disagree.' And on January 21st
there would have been a 95-4
vote in the Senate and a 410 to 24 vote in the House, and it would have been all over, and we wouldn't have had six months of bad publicity and we wouldn't have had six months of every single person in all the southern states saying the presisouthern states saying the president had betrayed them and the lowest approval rating of all time throughout the country for a beginning president. And no other issue has done more to create that in the first six months. The easiest thing in the world for us to do would be to do that – throw it away.

"I think we can all ask ourselves – as you're looking back

t think we can all ask our-selves – as you're looking back on what went right and what went wrong – how did we allow this to be the first issue to come up? How in God's name – when you have an Employment Discrimination bill that at least Discrimination bill that at least speaks to the whole country and about a principle that everybody can agree on? That if you're looking around, asking how can we do things better, ask yourselves: why did we push this—the military—the one sector of the military – the one sector of society that would be the hardest place to turn? Why would the president go there first? So we can look at that as well.

"Finally I have to say – again this is something people can disagree on - we made the final judgment, as we were going forward - that it was important to

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itary - a gay man - came up to me and said, 'Thank you for what you've done.'

### orado for Family Values Is a PAC

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people from whom it accepts money.

The commission previously issued subpoenas against "Equal Rights Not Special Rights," a self-described Cincinnati PAC that is primarily financed by Colorado for Family Values.

ERNSR, during a subsequent deposition, refused to disclose its contributors. The commission will meet November 17 to decide what powers it has to require both organizations to answer questions under oath during depositions, including identifying financial contributors.

CFV, headquartered in Colorado Springs, contributed \$390,000 – more than 60 percent –

of the \$508,000 spent by ERNSR in its 1993 successful campaign to repeal part of a city human rights ordinance that protected gay, lesbian, and bisexual people from discrimination.

A federal judge later ruled the repeal was unconstitutional, but that ruling is now being appealed.

appeared.
The editor of a Columbus newspaper,
Gaybeat, filed the complaint with the Ohio
Elections Commission in an attempt to have the groups declared PACs.

Colorado for Family Values told the com-

mission in May it would not identify contribu-tors because of fear they would be harassed.

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cause. And you can agree or disa not on whether it advanced the cau not on whether it advanced the cat our first concerns were in gays a bians in the military. And we well ing time and time again that the glesbians in the military were being ject to harassment, were being subject to the most cruel and extreme forms of harassment and we had to do something about that. If we couldn't open up the whole military, we had to make sure we did something to stop that kind of pain that people were going through every sin-

that people were going through every single day.

gle day.
"It has gotten better," Stephanopoulos continued. "There is no question about it. There is less harassment day to day in the military. It takes time – the regulations go through – it takes a long time to change the military culture. But there is no ques-

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resents 95 percent of the country, represents 95 percent of the opinion in this country. [Clinton] went up against him [Nunn] and he paid the price for it. What would you have him do?"

Stand up to Nunn, gay politicos shouted. "All of you say that and that's a good argument," Stephanopoulos continued. "And what would have happened to the gays and lesbians in the military? They would still be getting harassed. ... I was in San Luis Obisbo and a guy in the military — a gay man — came up to me and

I can't disagree with you on every point. I can't say that I wish it'd turned out dif-I can't say that I wish it'd turned out dif-ferently. But I don't think it would have been an advance. Simply to throw up a flag and say okay fine. You would have said he threw in the towel, he threw away the whole game if he did it in one day and it would have happened in one day. So we think we made progress – we tried. We paid a terrible price for that. Everybody here paid a terrible price for that. It was not a good debate for any that. It was not a good debate for any side. But we tried. We tried to make progress – we did not succeed. We think things will be a little bit better – only time will tell."

Stephanopoulos received a huge hand at the meeting's conclusion – with gay attendees acknowledging that this is the first time in history that an American President has publicly used the words gay and lesbian.

Following his remarks, attorney John McGuire, who represents reinstated Navy Petty Officer Keith Meinhold, talked to

Stephanopoulos about making "small adjustments" in the philosophical approach the government is taking towards the gays in the military cases. "What I really want them to do." McGuire said later, "is take an honest approach in litigation and say to the courts: 'this is what the policy is – it's got some serious flaws in it.' And acknowledge those flaws and just let it rise or fall on its own merits. I think this serves his interests as well as ours. If the policy is struck down it certainly serves the gay and lesbian community and it serves the Clinton Administration too because it Clinton Administration too because it makes a statement to the American public makes a statement to the American public that he was right all along," The policy, McGuire predicted, would "hit" Clinton in every election. "One way they can make a final positive statement about it is to get a declaration from the court that the present policy is impermissible," McGuire said, "and I want to help them with that—so I hove they went to work with that – so I hope they want to work with us." ▼

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#### Patrick M. Ferruccio Nov. 5, 1945 - Aug. 20, 1994

Patrick M. Ferruccio
Nov. 5, 1945 - Aug. 20, 1994
An era truly ended with the death of our Patrick. To have been a part of his world was to have been a part of his world was to have been a part of his world was to have been a re ma r k a b le re member of a r e ma r k a b le re member of a r e ma r k a b le re member of a r e ma r k a b le re member of a r e member of se r e

Bay Area Triends who would enjoy getting together to remember Patrick are asked to call Will at (415) 621-7660. Donations in his name may go to Project Open Hand in San Francisco and God's Love We Deliver in New York. ▼

#### Randy Paul Gunnoe Dec. 14, 1949 - Nov. 2, 1994

Randy's valiant battle with AIDS ended November 2. He died peacefully in his cherished cabin on the Russian



fully in his cherished cabin on the Russian River.

Born in Charleston, West Virginia, Randy migrated to Colorado after a receiving a bachelor's and the University of West Virginia.

Randy was a special person: compassionate, wise, witty, courageous, gentle, independent, truthful. He was especially gifted as a healer of the psyche, be it clients', family's, friends', Randy's strong personal and professional commitment to the gay community led him to San Francisco in the early '80s. In addition to his individual and group psychotherapy practice, Randy facilitated HIV-positive groups and ran workshops on gay male relationships and gay spirituality.

Randy is survived by his parents,

gay mate teatousings and gay spirituality.

Randy is survived by his parents,
Red and Nancy Gunnoe; sisters, Joy
and Lynn; nieces and nephews; and
friends all over the world.

To shed a tear, to turn a smile, to
celebrate and remember a life lived,
come to the Trocadero House in
Stern Grove, 19th Avenue and Sloat,
on Friday, November 11, at 6:30 p.m.

Contributions in Randy Gunnoe's
name can be made to Project Open
Hand and/or Project Inform.

#### David R. Cordero Dec. 28, 1954 - Oct. 24, 1994

Dec. 28, 1954 - Oct. 24, 1994
Serenity and a peaceful smile companied David on his journey out of this world.

After a long, painful struggle with AIDS, David died with his head on his partner's shoulder. David moved to San Francisco from Chicago in the early '80s. He began with PG&E as a secu-



worked his way up to supervisor.

Javid obtained his bachelor's in
1988 from Golden Gate University
while working.

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1988 from Golden Gate University while working.

In 1991 David and his partner moved to their home in the redwoods in Guerneville.

David is survived by his partner of 12 years, Richard, and his puppy, Monty. There will be a celebration of David's life held sometime in the near future at his home.

Donations may be made to: Face to Face/Sonoma County AIDS Network, P.O. Box 1599, Guerneville, CA 95446. ▼

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#### Richard David Lee Sept. 8, 1937 - Nov. 1, 1994



Richard David Lee
Sept. 8, 1937 - Nov. 1, 1994
Words cannot describe the kind of person Richard was or what he meant to those who knew him. He was kind, gentle, loving, loyal and very comfortable to be around. He had a great sense of humor and pretty, sparkling blue eyes. He liked to call himself a big teddy bear, and he was, soft and cuddly.
Richard was a master chef and had many varied interests, including music, movies, and his teddy bear and rooster collections. But the most important things in Richard's life were his family and friends.

He died with his daughters, bebbie Lee-Jackson and Kristi Lee, by his side. He was preceded in death by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Lee; his sister, Barbara Schmoldt; and his lover, Frank Rodriguez. He is survived by his daughters; son, Richard; eight grandchildren; and countless relatives and friends.

Richard, life will never be the same without you. We love you and miss you, but a part of you will live on in all of us.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, November 12, from 2 to 5 p.m. For more information please call (415) 753-0301.

#### Franco A. Barone November 1, 1994



Franco A. Barone
November 1, 1994
Franco died Tuesday, November
1, of PML at age 45. A second-generation
Franciscan, he was a graduate of Lowell High and the SF Art Institute. Franco possessed an extra ordinary zest for life and was a true bon vivant; he loved music, dance, the opera and fine did it all with great style. As an artist and a fashion designer, he created his own line of nouvelle couture that was displayed and sold in his San Francisco store, "Franco Barone."
This wonderful, gentle man will be sorely missed by all those whose lives he touched, especially by his many friends and his family: his mother, Dorothea (Mrs. Burl Wilkinson); father, Frank A. Barone (deceased); brothers, John Santos and David Barone; sister, Loretta Santos; uncles, Joe, Tony and Peter Barone; aunt, Rose Abatte; and numerous nephews, cousins and a niece. Donations in Franco's name may be sent to the HIV Institute, Davies Medical Center, Castro & Duboce, SF, CA 94114.

#### Joseph A. Chambers Nov. 3, 1948 - Oct. 28, 1994



Nov. 3, 1948 – Oct. 28, 1994

A man who loved the sea, traveling and sailing, Joe died after a long beauting and sailing and saili

He received exemplary care from the folks at Ft. Miley VA Hospital, and special thanks go to the staff on 1A, 2A, the Infectious Diseases Clinic, the Infusion Center and the AIDS Volunteers.

AIDS Volunteers.

He will be sorely missed by his family and friends, especially Jack, Linda, Jo, Jaqui and Dan. His ashes were scattered at sea, befitting a lifelong sailor.

Donations may be made to Project Open Hand or to the Godfather Service Fund. ▼

The family of Ray Hamilton Jr., Angie Wansaw and Bret Hamilton and his partner, Ron Masker, wish to express their appreciation to all of the caring people in Ray's life and say that your thoughtfulness means more than words can say.

#### Robert "Bobbie" Ehrenthal



Bobbie left us on October 22, 1994, on a bright, sunny afternoon under the loving care of his parents, Frank and Julie. While he was an employee of the railroad industry for over thirty years, most of us will remember him as a "moonlighting hash slinger" at Gordon's when it was at Sansome and Broadway, and

at The BAJ, Jackson's and The Galleon. In addition to his parents, Bobbie leaves his sisters Silvia and Ann, their husbands and children, and many, many friends.

We'll miss you, kid. Rest easy. John and Craig

#### Robert W. Norton



An Alabama native and North Alabama University graduate, Robert had resided in San Francisco for 18 years. He was an insurance investigator with CIGNA for 20

years. Robert had Robert had struggled with HIV and Epstein-Barr Syndrome since 1981. He died October 11 at Moffitt tal of AIDS-related respiratory

failure.

Robert is survived by a sister, Edith Williams in Mary Esther, Fla., and a brother, Wayne Norton, in Alabama. Cremation was by Daphne Funerals in San Francisco.

Robert's friend and neighbor, Alec Pauluck, is handling all matters pertaining to the deceased. No funeral services are planned.

#### Carl William "Gus" Swenson Jr.

December 1944 - October 1994



Yes, our beloved, fun-loving, crotchety, red-bearded, town character Gus, of H a i g h t / Ashbury's leg-endary Gus' Pub ('74-'80), has bid eternal farewell to the San Francisco he brought so much life to for 30 years – having now transported to a parallel uni-

now transported to a parallel universe.

A com-fed lowa farm boy by birth and at heart, Gus truly loved all flora, his fine and loyal family, American pottery, windmills, the Pacific Ocean, inventing language (he really "clotiated"), nature hiking, exotic food, original art, powerful movies, Mexico, Alaska, hard work and cold beer.

While he dwelt briefly in Chicago, New York City, Houston, Portland and Baja, California, Gus returned many seasons to farm the lowa soil; still, San Francisco provided home to his ferce fidelity and his countless friends, some of us whom are just plain weird.

Gus/Carl remained a generous brother, dedicated worker, successful businessman, a brilliant host and a life-embracing soul.

"Life," he often said enigmatically, "is what you lead." Well, lead us forever down memory lane, Justo, and do save a place for Charlotte! Your distinctive character, your friendship and your pub were each unforgettable masterpieces. You are profoundly missed by all who knew you.

### **Delbert Daniel**

(Bauman) Eckert March 3, 1962 – October 16, 1994

Danny was born in Warrensburg, Missouri, the son of Gerald Lee Bauman (deceased) and Karon Kay



He was a student in the CarsonM a c e d o n i a
School District,
where he graduated from Carson
High School in
1980. While in
school, he was a
member of the
school band and
the National
Honor Society,
and he served as
the student manager of the footager of the foot

ager of the football team.

After high school, Danny attended Briar Cliff College in Sioux City for one year. He then became a student at the American Institute of Business in Des Moines for a year. Following the completion of his education, he worked at several businesses in the Des Moines area. In 1986, Danny moved to San Francisco, California, where he was a manager at the Palo Alto Hotel. He moved back to Carson this past summer due to ill health.

Danny died October 16 at his parent's home in Carson, where he was surrounded by the love of family and friends. He is survived by his parents; Gary and Karon Eckert; grandmother, Beulah Rose; sisters, Kathleen Peters and Joyce Achenbach; Joyce's husband, Todd; brother, James Eckert; James' wife, Moni; a nephew, six nieces; and many aunts, uncles and dear friends.

#### George K. Kronenberger Jan. 10, 1953 - Nov. 1, 1994



people, a principle he carried out in his 16 years at PG&E and his work on the Ohio Civil Rights Commission.

George was committed to equality for gays and lesbians in the workplace. At PG&E, George was a founder of its AIDS-Hotline and the Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Employees Association; he helped create its college scholarship fund which is being renamed in his memory. George co-founded the Gay and Lesbian Workplace Issues conference, first held in 1991, which achieved national prominence as the NGLTF Workplace Initiatives project, of which he was the first staffer.

George loved to play basketball, volleyball, scuba dive and walk his two dogs, Limmerick and Sally. A memorial service and celebration will be held on November 13, 3 p.m., at 50 Oak Street, 4th floor, in San Francisco. Donations can be sent to LGBEA Scholarship Fund/SF BANGLE, P.O. Box 191311, SF, CA 94119.

#### Steve Partee October 31, 1994



Steve Partee
October 31, 1994
Steve Partee, a 12-year resident of
San Francisco, died at age 38, in the
company of family and friends
who loved him, in his home
town, San Diego, on October 31.
Steve received a
B.S.E.E. from
San Diego State
University in
1978, graduating
with honors and
distinction. He
was a member of
the HKN electrical engineering
honor society. Before his illness,
Steve was employed by Alcon
Laboratories in San Leandro, where
his contributions to the manufacture
of ophthalmic surgery products were
widely recognized.
Steve is survived by his parents,
John and Elivi; brother, Kenneth; sisters, Lisa and Christine; and his
grandmother, Loa Nielsen. We
remember Steve for his sense of
humor and fair play, his love of life
and his spectacular Halloween costumes. Steve will be greatly missed
by those of us who knew and loved
him, and whose lives he lightened
and enriched. 

Robert Nicholas Mullis

#### Robert Nicholas Mullis May 25, 1937 - Oct. 27, 1994



sounds song ... in his room filled with peace and love and the poignancy of parting. Rob was born in Fort Meyers, can Francisco; and

Rob was born in Fla.; anchored in San Francisco; and traveled the exotic places of the planet. A graduate of Auburn University, president of Sigma Chi, Southern gentleman, international banker and hippie faggot par excellence, he explored the possibilities of life with his own style.

Rob's last weeks were a wonder of confusion and clarity, as he struggled with the tightening grip of dementia. He never stopped being himself. I am grateful to the wonderful staff at St. Mary's Hospital CARE Unit 4-South, and especially to the people at Coming Home Hospice for the dynamic compassion and the unobtrusive care they gave to Rob and to those of us who love him. And I am honored to have had the privilege of escorting him to the gates of his next life.

For information about a memorial gathering, please call 587-9716.

#### Carl T. Daddio 1948 - 1994



1948 - 1994

1946 - died in Berkeley on October 30 of AIDS-related illness. Until his retirement in January 1994, he was the systems support manager for Safeway Stores, where he had been employed for 26 years.

A 15-year resident of Walnut Creek, Mr.

was well-known to theatre

dent of Walnut Creek, Mr. Daddio was well-known to theatre audiences throughout the Bay Area for his over 30 starring performances in musical productions. He was last seen as Stone in the Diablo Light Opera Company production of City of Angels. He was a six-time nominee and a four-time winner of the prestigious Shelly Award for Best Actor in a Musical in Contra Costa County.

Mr. Daddio is survived by his parents, Nick and Margaret Daddio of Anaheim; a brother and sister; two nieces; a nephew; and his companion of 14 years. Barrett Lindsay-Steiner of Walnut Creek.

A memorial service is planned for November 14 at 1 p.m. at the Regional Center for the Arts in Walnut Creek.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the Carl Daddio Memorial Fund, c/o Bank of America, Main Branch, Walnut Creek, CA 94596.

### Edward Dean Hamby (a.k.a. Fast Eddie) Oct. 8, 1965 - Oct. 6, 1994



Edward died peacefully but horribly at his home (10940 Sunset Ave., Forestville, CA 95436), with his brother Alan and his friend Stuart at his side.

#### Rolf (Ralph) W. Stiller Jr. Oct. 15, 1964 - Oct. 26, 1994

Oct. 15, 1964 - Oct. 26, 1994
Rolf died of AIDS and cancer on October 26. He was born in Tacoma, Wash., and had been employed as a laundry worker in various nursing homes in Kenosha, Wis; Madison, Wis; and Minneapolis, Minn., prior to his illness.
Rolf is survived by his mother, Elizabeth A. Notaro; brothers, Keith O. and Justin S. Geissman; sisters, Kathryn R. and Alicia A.; and many friends who will all miss his zest for life and fierce independence.
Special thanks to Network Ministries, Dr. Fallensbee, the CCU staff at Davies, Tom and Hank at the Ambassador, Kevin Faukteau, Alan Wein and Rolf's many friends in the San Francisco area.

#### **Obituary Policy**

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### Gervase S. Mauricci



September 8, 1953 - October 8, 1994

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### Chinese Medicine Increasingly Popular Among Bay Area HIVers

And Elsewhere: Bastyr U. Hosts Study; Columbia to Host '95 Confab

by Kent Brandley

It may be thousands of years old, but ancient Chinese medi-cine is still the cutting edge in 21st Century doctoring: so says licensed acupuncturist Howard Moffet, clinic director of the American College of Traditional Chinese Medicine (ACTCM) in San Francisco.

"Drugs are starting to fail us," Moffet told the Bay Area Reporter, referring to Western prescriptions. "Drug-resistant tuberculosis and bacteria are a real threat to modern medicine."

What is essential, according to

Moffet, is a new approach to health maintenance and a reassessment of maintenance and a reassessment of the drug-dependent therapies that are typical in this country. Simply put, he said, "Chinese medicine is not like taking your car to the mechanic for repair. Chinese med-icine is like tending your garden. It alses work and patience to cultitakes work and patience to culti-vate good health."

In a lengthy interview with the B.A.R., Moffet said the dif-

ference is that Chinese medicine focuses on the "host person" rather than on the disease itself. "We try to make sense - to understand the pattern" of infec-tion, he said. People with HIV who are enjoying the advan-tages of Chinese medicine improve their quality of life, their physical functions, and their physical functions, and their ability to go about a nor-mal life, Moffet said. "Our domain is about helping people to feel better," he said. The August, 1994 edition of the periodical AIDS Patient Care appears to support his con-tention. The publication con-

care appears to support its contention. The publication contains a highly encouraging appraisal of acupuncture and herbal medicine treatments at ACTCM's HIV Clinic Program: The emerging profession acupuncture warrants the attention of all healthcare providers," said the authors, whose findings indicate that "patients have ben-efited from treatment here in terms of symptomatic relief and improvement in quality of life measurements.

Efficacy trials at last
Moffet said that while people
with HIV have been using
acupuncture, herbs, and alternative treatments since the beginning of the AIDS epidemic, Francisco acupuncture clinics were the first to contract federal money to provide services to people with HIV.

The HIV Clinic Program was

begun in 1992 to provide medical options to people with HIV who needed alternatives to standard drug therapies, or who wanted to complement their

conventional care

Funding was pro-vided by Federal R y a n W h i t e Title m o n e y through the San Francisco

Howard Moffet Howard Moffet Depart-ment of Public Health AIDS office.

The Mayor's HIV Health Services Planning Council in San Francisco "has responded to the need in the community for these services and is to be con-gratulated for providing the support," Moffet told the B.A.R.

Moffet said the response from the community was overwhelming: since the beginning, the program has never had fewer than 100 people on the waiting list for services.

"The American College of Traditional Chinese Medicine is negotiating with San Francisco General Hospital to obtain cliniprivileges to treat our patients when they are hospitalized," Moffet told the B.A.R.

On Monday, October 24 Moffet announced that ACTCM will be a cooperating clinic with Bastyr University of Seattle, which has just been awarded a major grant from the National Institutes of Health (NIH) to establish Center Alternative Medicine Research in HIV/AIDS.

The center will survey the use of Chinese and other alternative medicines for HIV and

AIDS patients, and screen and evaluate HIV/AIDS therapies from the field of alternative medicine, Moffet said.

The three-year, \$840,000 grant will fund development and approximate the property of the prope

operation of the center under the leadership of Dr. Leanna Standish, the university's director of research.

Standish, who received a Ph.D. degree in Biopsychology from the University of Massachusetts in 1978, has also earned a Doctor of Naturopathic Medicine degree and a master's degree in Oriental Medicine at Bastyr University. In addition to serving as research director and clinical faculty member at the university, she is also a staff physician at University Health Clinic in Seattle. She has served as a member of the NIH ad hoc panel on alternative medicine.
In a related development, the

AIDS and Chinese Medicine Institute at Columbia University in New York City has announced that the third annual HIV/AIDS and Chinese Medicine Conference will be held June 15-18, 1995, on the

held June 15-18, 1995, on the Columbia University campus.

"This conference will strive to be an important forum for exchange of information and support," Moffet said.

The second annual HIVIAIDS and Chinese

Medicine Conference took place on the campus of San Francisco State University last July. The conference was well attended, with 34 presenters and more than 200 participants from around the world.

For more information, contact Howard Moffet, MS, LAc, executive director of the AIDS & Chinese Medicine Institute: 455 Arkansas Street, San Francisco, CA., 94107; (415) 282-4028; fax (415) 282-2935.



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"The heterosexual victims of AIDS, including children, are also getting an unexpected lesson in the terrible price of bigotry towards gay and lesbian people," King said.
"I would urge the so-called Christian leaders who see AIDS

as a form of divine retribution to explain why AIDS is spreading among heterosexual people,

including children. ...
"I would ask them to tell me where in the teachings of Jesus do we find justification for the persecution and dehumanizapersecution and dehumaniza-tion of anyone ... and [to] remember that every person with AIDS is as much a child of God as any other human being."

King praised those religious ders "who have responded to

the AIDS crisis with great com-passion and generosity."
"I see AIDS not only as a dread illness that we must con-quer," she said, "but as a test of the compassion and decency those who enjoy good health. Bigotry is a debilitating neurosis, but it is an illness that can be cured with honest self-examina-tion and education.

"That's why we must never let a bigoted remark go unchallenged and why we must always ask those who would persecute others to look into their own hearts," King told the nation's largest

gathering of HIV/AIDS workers. From time to time, King told the conference, she gets letters, phone calls, "and other unso-licited advice" from people telling her she should not speak out for the rights of gay and les-

'Somehow they can't make the connection between racism and the bigotry experienced by gays and lesbians. But there is a connection between the racist, the anti-Semite, the sexist and the homophobe. They all share a dehumanizing fear that prevents them from having empathy for the unjust suffering of their brothers and sisters in the human family. They all share a sick need to dehumanize some minority to make themselves feel more adequate.

"In denying compassion for the victims of AIDS, they must also deny the existence of their own soul-destroying neurosis. own soul-destroying neurosis. In denying the humanity of others, they also deny their own humanity," Mrs. King told her highly enthusiastic audience.

"A decent healthcare system for the American people must become the number one priority of our national security," King said, urging them to vote. Frontline AIDS workers from across the nation also heard U. S.

across the nation also neared S. Surgeon General Dr. M. Joycelyn Elders and Raul Yzaguirre, of the National Council of La Raza, among other large at the conference.

### **Proposal Process To Begin on** Alameda HIV/ AIDS Housing Grant

by Mary Ann Swissler **East Bay Correspondent** 

Up to ten agencies that provide shelter for HIV/AIDS patients in Alameda County will be eligible to receive federal funds next year from a U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development grant, it was decided at the November 1 Alameda County Board of Supervisors meeting.

The board okayed an agreement for the county to administer nearly \$1.36 million in affordable housing and related services funds that were originally granted to the city of Oakland by HUD. Of that money, building construction, leasing, and rehabilitation will account for \$600,000, according to Linda Gardner, County Housing & Community Development Director. Slightly less of the Housing Opportunities for People with AIDS grant, \$580,000, will be spent on patient services and operations support, she said.

Gardner explained that the overall goal is to improve the overall quality of life for PWAs, in addition to expanding the existing housing stock or to make it possible for people to remain where they

are. "The things that will help people stay in their housing and improve their lives," she said, including but not limited to, alcohol and drug abuse counseling, money management, and information and referral.

and reterrai.

One homeless shelter, for example, is only prevented from increasing the number of dedicated spaces for people with HIV or AIDS because of a lack of money, not space.

Gardner emphasized that the spending priorities were decided on only after two public hearings into the matter last summer. "We held two widely-invited public meetings into the tonic of How. invited public meetings just on the topic of 'How should the money be spent?'" she told the *Bay Area Reporter*. "We did a very comprehensive mailing inviting people to these community meetings. We also mailed the invitations to all the housing and non-profit housing developers in the coun-

Gardner added that her office surveyed the county HIV/ AIDS Division Needs Assessment to see what the gaps were in existing housing pro-

Request for Proposals will soon be available from her office, she said. ▼

### **Chronic Hepatitis Linked to Genetics**

by Lisa Seachrist UPI Science Writer

WASHINGTON - Genetics may determine whether a per-son suffers from a chronic infection with Hepatitis B virus, British researchers said Thursday, October 27.

A study in this week's British journal the *Lancet* indicates that journal the Lancet indicates that inherited components of the immune system may control whether a person clears a Hepatitis B infection or becomes an infectious carrier of the virus. The finding may help identify the people who are at risk of chronic liver inflammation described the strength of the component of damage, and possible

tumors.

"No one has really figured out why some people rid themselves of the virus and why there is a proportion of unlucky people who get a persistence of the virus," said Dr. Richard Batchelor of the Royal Postgraduate Medical School at the Hammersmith Hospital in London. "Our study indicates that the human leukocyte anti-

gen type is one of the factors influencing a person's response to this virus."

The human leukocyte antigen - HLA - is a key compo-nent of the immune system which helps the body determine self from invader. Physicians commonly look at the various HLA types when matching organ donors to recipients. One of the key roles of HLA is scav-enge all the bits of foreign materials in the body and present them to T-cells. The T-cells then begin the process of destroying foreign cells.

Because HLA is involved in

Because HLA is involved in some of the first steps of the immune response, Batchelor and his colleague Ajayeb Almarri from Hamad Hospital in Qatar compared the HLA types of 31 people who had been infected by the virus and cleared it 21 people who were cleared it, 21 people who were carriers, and 100 people who had never had the virus.

People who were chronically infected with the virus were far more likely to have an HLA type called DR2, while people who had cleared the virus were more likely to have HLA type

The difference might be due to a number of factors. Perhaps the DR2 molecule does not accommodate the most impor-tant parts of the Hepatitis B tant parts of the Hepatitis B virus and these people don't have an appropriate immune response," said Batchelor. "It is important to find out who the people most susceptible to chronic infection are in order to find better ways to vaccinate

Batchelor and Almarri con-firmed their findings in a small-er study, but the researchers point out that the findings are far from conclusive

'It is important that the work is confirmed in large studies," said Batchelor. "But it is potentially an important result. The whole question of the immune response to hepatitis B has been overlooked.

Hepatitis B is a disease that has disproportionately affected the gay community for years.

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#### AIDS

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present in high concentrations in the blood of patients with full-blown AIDS can activate HIV replication in the test tube. Antibodies against Vpr can block HIV replication, they

These findings may lead to a new strategy for keeping HIV dormant and preventing AIDS

forever, they said.
"This is the first time that anyone has shown that an HIV gene has anything to do with viral latency," said immunologist David Weiner. "And it is possible that antibody therapy may have a place in controlling

After HIV infects someone the virus enters a quiescent period for several years where the virus cannot be detected in the bloodstream. Researchers have shown that the virus is replicat-ing in some cells at a very low

At some point, the virus

begins to rapidly reproduce, and floods the body with virus, eventually destroying the immune system.

Pennsylvania researchers found that people with AIDS had very high levels of Vpr in their bloodstreams. Purified Vpr caused blood cells taken from the patients to begin to produce virus. But when the researchers added antibodies against Vpr to the blood cells, Vpr failed to activate virus

reproduction.
"An HIV infection could represent a delicate balance between antibodies against Vpr and the production of Vpr," said Weiner. "In places like lymph nodes, it would be hard to keep the virus completely silent with antibodies against Vpr. Eventually there is more Vpr production and the virus begins

to multiply and spread."
Weiner said that preliminary
evidence indicates that levels of Vpr in the bloodstream increase as the disease progresses which makes Vpr an attractive target for drugs and vaccines.

"If you have a function in the virus, you can do something to inhibit that function," said Weiner. "If you could immunize people against Vpr, we could keep the virus quiet."

Weiner said the study "gives us a new target for drug development. Now, it's our responsibility to make them." ▼



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### Too Scary

alloween, the highest holiday of local queer culture, has become too scary to continue in its current form. It is time to move the big, public Halloween celebration from the Castro, its traditional venue, to some other locale. Perhaps it could be held at Civic Center or South of Market; a friend of mine favors Pacific Heights (which he calls Pacific Heights (which he calls "Specific Whites"). Alas, it's too dangerous to hold in the Castro anymore, where it ends up being little are these them. little more than an invitation to homophobes to invade a "targetenvironment.

In its original form, where costumed queers spontaneously gathered in the Castro until we blocked traffic, it was both fun and a community event. It still is on the days before the official celebration, when everyone steps out to "test drive" their drag. But on the big night, hundreds of thousands of un-costumed heterosexuals come to gawk at the freak show, and the atmosphere becomes strained at best, ugly at worst.

Costume parties, like orgies, only work if the majority of those in attendance are participating in the title activity. A few people in plainclothes at a mas-querade or a couple of voyeurs at a sex club can be carried along on the general momen-tum, but when the gawkers outnumber the performers, the crit-

ical mass is lost and the event falls flat. A few thousand drag queens parading their outfits for each other is exhilarating; a few hundred being ogled by a hun-dred thousand drunken, violent

dred thousand drunken, violent thugs is not.

Now it has gotten deadly. On the Friday before Halloween, a gay man was shot near the Castro for holding hands with his boyfriend. His assailants, in a white jeen drove on the payer. a white jeep, drove on the pave-ment to pin their victim against a wall while they shot him.

#### Commentary

Police at the official October 31 celebration relieved a 19-year-old of a .357 magnum year-old of a .357 magnum automatic – with a speed loader! All of these young fascists went to the Castro heavily armed with one specific intent: to kill queers, lots of queers if possible. For violent homophobes, Halloween, with its highly visible queers and the current. ble queers and the current license it gives to non-gays to invade our community, has become little more than "open season on queers.

Protection racket

The total collapse of the "security" that Community United Against Violence (CUAV) had contracted to provide, in return for a quarter of the event's profits, made this



I love a man in uniform! These het gawkers at the Castro Street Halloween celebration don't seem to be troubled by the Nazi armband of one participant, the unofficial winner of the 1994 Bad Taste in Costume Award

year's event particularly danger-ous. By 10 p.m. all but ten of the volunteer monitors had walked off the job, protesting that they felt "unsafe." They had a better grasp of the situation than their management, who'd typically sent them in vastly undertrained, underorganized, and unprepared for the monstrous task con-

ror the monstrous task con-fronting them.

Did CUAV get greedy for that 25 percent and knowingly bite off more than they could chew, or were they just ignorant of what they were getting into? Most likely it was a combination of both venality and stupid-

This fiasco is a serious blow to CUAV, which does very little for the \$300,000 of city money it gets every year. The "safety monitors" they provide to police gay events, minimally trained, unpaid volunteers, mostly go around pointlessly bossing other queers but shy away from protecting the community from hostile outsiders. The self-defense class they offer costs about 100 percent more than the standard market rate for a martial arts training session, and according to my friends doing mental health work, they won't provide counseling to bashing

They do have a violence hotline, but my personal experience with it was pretty bad. I called after getting attacked in Dolores Park, mostly to make sure the statistic was recorded. To my amazement, the hotliner wasn't amazement, the hotliner wasn't interested in any of the recordable specifics of my incident (so how does CUAV come up with their stats?) but only in encouraging me to get hysterical over the incident. When I asked for help in figuring out how to press the present activity to reliable to the control of the property of charges and getting the police to record the incident, he advised against it and again suggested therapy instead.

So aside from harassing gay columnists for using the word "faggot" – CUAV's main claim to fame for the past year – the organization doesn't have much of a mission other than its event protection racket. Maybe it's time for them to disband; certainly it's time for the gay and lesbian community to investigate how they spend the funds they collect on our behalf. If they really can't think of any better use for their money than their pathetic posters encourag-ing bashers to be nice, maybe they could at least offer free defense classes instead.

Soft on queericide

We are, alas, a community under siege, but if everyone takes some rudimentary precautions, we can all feel safer and make our community more

For starters, take a self-For starters, take a self-defense class. I notice that Street Patrol, which used to provide them free, is advertising again, so that might be an option. (For more advanced training, you might even want to join Street Patrol, believe me sweater face Patrol; believe me, sweater fags and lipstick lesbians who

wouldn't give you a second look otherwise will cream over you in your SP outfit.)

It is important that you have some notion of what you can do in case of attack and that you occasionally practice these moves. Maybe all you'll want to do is run and scream; maybe do is run and scream; maybe you can take more positive action. But you should have some idea of how to behave when violent homophobia gets

when violent homophobia gets in your face.

A couple of years ago, my partner and I used to give visiting house guests a key ring with a whistle on it. Now the standard key ring includes a whistle and a pepper sprayer. (Until the first of this year, such spray was illegal, although automatic rifles were not!)

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If you see a bashing going
on, do something! Don't stand
around waiting for someone else
to act. Run for help, call the
police (but don't expect too
much from them; last time I saw
the SEPD in action they the SFPD in action, they released the bashers and almost arrested the victim!), run to the victim's assistance, or mobilize others to do so.

others to do so.
Often heroics won't be possible. But for goddess' sake, try to get license plates numbers when appropriate. I can't believe that those gunmen in the jeep did all those maneuvers and got away without anyone getting their without anyone getting their number. The shooting victims were no doubt preoccupied with staying alive, but what about bystanders? The Guardian Angels have released a composite picture of the attacker, but ite picture of the attacker, but like all such, it's too vague to be much use – the drawings of the Castro Shooter and of the nonexistent carjacker/kidnapper fingered by that murderous mom in South Carolina look exactly alike to me.

Don't be satisfied with beat-

ing off an attack. If at all possi-ble, pursue your assailant while calling on bystanders for assis-tance. If you catch perpetrators, hold them until the cops arrive, and insist on pressing charges. Get the names and phone num-bers of as many eyewitnesses as you can, and make sure the DA follows through on the prosecu-

This won't be easy. CUAV won't help you, and the cops will be livid with rage when you

won t neip you, and the cops will be livid with rage when you insist on them doing the paper-work necessary to defend your rights and safety. Oddly, they're more willing to pursue thieves, like pickpockets, than they are to go after bashers. It's as though our property is valued more than our persons.

A good way to get police to pay attention to roving bashers cruising the Castro in their cars and yelling homophobic slurs is to get their plate numbers and call 911 to report inebriated drivers brandishing open booze bottles. This is more often than not the case anyway, and although the SFPD is soft on queericide, it's tough on drunk driving.

driving.

The steps described above can make the Castro safer for individuals, but nothing can control a homophobic invasion on the scale of our annual Halloween "bash" – certainly not CUAV or the SFPD – so for all our sakes, it would be best if it and its attendant ugliness were moved elsewhere. Let's keep the Castro safe for queers and let bashers go elsewhere for their



#### **HEALTH AND COMMUNITY**

ACT UP San Francisco: determined to end the AIDS crisis thru direct action. Meets first & third Thursday every month, 7pm, 3rd floor, Women's Bldg., 3543 18th St. Write PO Box 14844, SF 94114 or call 677-7988.

AIDS Bereavement Group: Eight week session begins Mon., Nov. 28, 6:30pm. St. Mary's Medical Center, 450 Stanyan St. Pre-registration is required: call Chaplaincy Services Dept., 750-5718.

AIDS Health Project: Individual psychotherapy services for people with HIV. No fee. Call for intake appt. 476-3902.

AIDS Memorial Grove: Monthly volunteer workday on Sat., Nov. 12, 9am-3pm. Middle & Bowling Green Drives, Golden Gate Park. Info: 750-8340.

AIDS Project of Contra Costa will hold a training for new volunteers, Nov. 12/13, 19/20, 9am-5pm. Call (510) 356-2437.

The Alternative Family Project: low-fee family counseling service available for lesbian, gay and bisexual families. Call 550-2621.

Bay Positives: Provides recreational and emotional support for people up to 26 years old living with HIV. Ongoing support groups meet weekly. 487-1616.

Center for AIDS Services: Bingo every Saturday benefits the Center's programs: 6:45pm,Markus Square Superbingo, Jefferson & 3rd St., Oakland. (510) 655-

Clinical Research Unit at UCSF seeks participants in a study involving AZT. Subjects must be HIV +, 18 yrs.+, CD4 count between 300-500. Pays \$80. Call

Coming out support group for men meets Tues., 6pm at Operation Concern, 1853 Market St. Men of all ages welcome, no fee. Facilitated by Kirk Hinman, PhD. Info: 626-7000.

Coming out workshop sponsored by Peninsula Chapter, PFLAG. Sun., Nov. 13, 1pm. Billy DeFrank Center, 175 Stockton Ave., San Jose. (408) 270-8182.

Continuum HIV Day Services: an adult day health care facility for people with disabling HIV disease, located in the Tenderloin. Call 241-5500.

East Bay HIV/AIDS 12 Step Support Group: Ongoing. Open to all with HIV who have experience with any 12 step program. Mon. eves., 6:15pm. Info: Paul (510) 465-4311.

Ellipse-Peninsula AIDS Services: Support groups, emotional & practical buddy program, food program and case management for PWAs. 572-9702.

Gay Fathers Support Network of Santa Rosa meets first Sun. of every month, 7pm. Info: Mark (707) 523first 5 6941

Gay Men's STD/VD Clinic: Testing & treatment by & for gay men, free, every Sun. 5-7 pm. HIV antibody anonymous testing for women & men 12 or older, every Sun., 5-7 pm. 2339 Durant Ave at Dana, Berkeley. Wheelchair accessible. 644-0425 (non-voice TDD 548-8238 for disabled).

Healing Alternatives Foundation maintains public HIV/AIDS Treatment & Resource Library. Also Buyer's Club for health products. 1748 Market St. Info: 626-4053.

Healing Circle: Begun as an HIV support group, now a space of healing & growth for all men & women. Meets every Thurs. at The San Francisco Center for Living, 4054 18th St. 7-9 pm. 252-1666.

HIV/AIDS Services at Operation Concern: Ongoing support groups, individual and couples counseling, drop-in groups every week. Issues for HIV- men, men with AIDS/ARC, partners and survivors. For information/intake, call Jill, 626-7000 x199. Operation Concern, 1853 Market St.

Home Care Companions offers free home care skills training for persons providing care to PWAs. Nov. 16,17,18,21,22, 7pm. Davies Medical Center. Advance

registration required. Call Celi Adams, 824-3269.

Immune Enhancement Project treats persons with HIV-related illness using a program of traditional Chinese medicine and herbal supplements. Info: 252-

Linea de Ambiente: Information, referral and emo-tional support for gay, lesbian and bi latinos regarding immigration, HIV, social services, a project of Gente Latina de Ambiente (GELAAM), 243-9534.

Lyon-Martin Women's Health Center: Primary health care for women by women, with emphasis on the health care needs of lesbians. Services include general medical care, gynecology, acupuncture, lesbian parenting, AIDS counseling & safe sex info (safe sex kits for women available). 1748 Market St near Valencia, SE Suits 011, 565 767. SF. Suite 201, 565-7667.

MCC Chronic/Life-Threatening Support Group: Every Wed., 12:30-2:30pm, in the MCC chapel, 150 Eureka St. Free, drop-in. Call 863-4434.

Most Holy Redeemer AIDS Support Group offers ongoing support groups for the HIV community. Also for partners, friends and family. No fees. Call Jeff at 863-1581.

National Association of People With AIDS Fax is a fax-on-demand system which provides free and up-to-date information on HIV funding, grants, insurance, benefits, legal issues and more. 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Call NAPWA FAX: 202-789-2222.

National Association for Visually Handicapped helps people with partial eyesight by supplying visual aids, a free service for SF residents who are HIV+ and losing eyesight. Call for appt.: 221-3201.

Native American AIDS Project: Support, resources and advocacy for Native Americans/ Alaskan Natives and their families affected by HIV. 1540 Market St., Suite 425. Info/intake: 522-2460.

People with disabilities who are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender: Support group at Independent Living Resource Center, SF. Meets weekly, free. Info: Katle 863-0581.

Planetree Health Resource Center Up-to-date medical info to assist in making informed health choices. Extensive consumer health library, current medical lit clippings & health bookstore. Also support groups, health information service by mail. 2040 Webster St. 923-3680

Preparing for the Later Stages of Care: workshop presented by KAIROS Support for Caregivers on Sat., Nov. 12, 10am-4pm, \$35 suggested. Advance registration required: 861-0877.

Project Open Hand provides free home-delivered hot meals and free groceries to anyone with symptomatic HIV in the Bay Area. Various ethnic and restricted diets available, plus free nutritional counseling. No waiting list. Call 1-800-551-MEAL.

Qi Gong for People with HIV: \$1 per class. Mon., Wed. 11am; Thurs. 6pm. American College of Traditional Chinese Medicine Community Clinic, 450 Connecticut St. Info: 282-9603.

Quan Yin Healing Arts Center Non-profit clinic provides affordable acupuncture & Chinese herbal therapies; treatment for people living with HIV, chronic hepatitis, PMS & other gynecological imbalances, Stop Smoking Clinic. Tues.-Fri., 1-6:30 pm, Sat. 9 am-3 pm. 861-4964.

Radical Women; Business mtg, 2nd & 4th Thurs. of the month. 7pm. Valencia Hall, 523-A Valencia St. 864-1278.

Richmond Area Multi-Services in SF: offers low fee counseling/ psychotherapy services to sexual minorities, people with HIV/AIDS. Supportive therapeutic group for family/ loved ones of PWAs. English, Cantonese, Mandarin, Korean, Russian, Japanese.

Safer Sex Education 933 Harrison is available for Safer Sex Education workshops and community out-

reach programs at no charge to responsible community groups. Info: write to Community HIV Prevention Program, 933 Harrison, SF 94107.

SF Gay & Lesblan Immigration and Asylum Rights Task Force meets first Thurs. of every month, 7pm, 870 Market St., Rm. 1213. Offers support groups for gay immigrants and their lovers, friends. Shannon,

San Mateo County AIDS Program: provides care for individuals and families affected by HIV/AIDS. Volunteer Resources Coordinator: 573-2488. Information: 573-2588.

Shantl Project's Latino Program: specifically serves Latino men, women, adolescents and children infected with and affected by HIV. Provides help with emotion-al peer counseling and practical support. For more information, call 864-CARE.

Spectrum Center for Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual Concerns in Marin County has groups to bring our community together. Call 457-1115 (ext. 205, Gordon; ext. 206, Nancy) for information.

Stanford Support Group for Gay Men: Wed., 8pm at the Lesbian, Gay & Bisexual Community Center, Old Firehouse, Stanford Univ. Free. 725-4222.

Stop AIDS Meeting for men 50 & older, free, one-time, informal meeting to talk about safe sex. Info/reg: 621-7177.

Substance Abuse Counseling for Lesbians and Gay Men at Operation Concern, 1853 Market St. Operation Recovery provides affordable, effective treatment. Drop-in groups: for women, 7-8 pm Mondays; for men, 8-9 pm Thursdays. For information/intake, call Jill, 626-7000 Ext. 199.

Sumt'n Ta Say: SF AIDS Foundation seeks contribu-tions by 18-25 gay and bi guys with something to say about being young & queer in the age of AIDS. For a new youth HIV resource guide. Cash prizes. 985-5296.

Umoja Strategy Group: a coalition of black lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and heterosexual people, committed to countering divisive forces. Monthly strategy sessions: call (510) 286-7992 or write to USG c/o POB 4718, Berkeley, CA 94704-0718.

Veterans Affairs Medical Center SF seeks volunteers to join its AIDS/ARC Volunteer Program. Volunteers visit patients in hospital and help in simple care tasks. Volunteers for AIDS Home Care and Phone Buddy Program are also needed. Contact Ronald Hunt, AIDS Volunteer Program Coordinator, VA Medical Center, 4150 Clement St., SF 94121, 750-2144.

We Care Bay Area provides emergency financial support of up to \$250 to individuals affected by AIDS and other serious illnesses. Requests must be made thru a Bay Area outreach agency. Info: 282-1911.

WomenKind Lecture Series: "Getting What You Need and Want Out of Health Care" Wed., Nov. 16, 7pm. \$5. Morrissey Auditorium, St. Mary's Medical Center, 2200 Hayes St. Info: 750-5775.

Women's Action Coalition is an open alliance of women committed to direct action on issues affecting the rights of all women. WAC meets 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:30 pm (women only), 1360 Mission St., Suite 200. WAC Hottline: 255-6352.

Women's Cancer Resource Center: Support, resource & advocacy group for Bay Area women with cancer, their friends, families & doctors. Provides individual peer counseling & drop-in support groups, newsletter, educational programs, legal workshop & more. (510) 548-9272 or 548-WCRC. 3023 Shattuck Ave., Berkeley.

Youth Empowerment Services Center provides an array of educational services, workshops, trainings to young people affected by HIV/AIDS. Info: call 487-5777.

Send Health and Community Listings to: Calendar Editor, Bay Area Reporter, 395 Ninth Street, San Francisco, CA 94103.

#### **CLASSIFIEDS**

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME FILE NO. 964374

CHANGE OF NAME FILE NO. 964374.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO, in the matter of the application of ROBERT FABI-AN PATENAUDE, for change of name. The application of ROBERT FABI-AN PATENAUDE, for change of name, having been filed in Court, and it appearing from said application that ROBERT FABIAN PATENAUDE has filed an application of PATENAUDE has filed an application proposing that HIS name be changed to PATENAUDE has filed an application proposing that HIS name be changed to PATENAUDE has filed an application proposing that HIS name be changed to PATENAUDE has filed an application, threatlength is brarely or the part of the part of the patenauth of the pat

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME FILE NO. 964,344

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO, in the matter of the application of JERALD LLOYD STRAUGHN, for change of name. The application of JERALD LLOYD STRAUGHN, for change of answer of the state of the superior of JERALD LLOYD STRAUGHN has filed an application proposing that HIS name be changed to JERALD L. PATENAUDE-STRAUGHN. Now, therefore, it is hereby ordered and directed, that all persons interested in said matter do appear before this Court in Department X-4 on the 29th day of November 1994, at 500am of said day to show cause why the application for change of name should not be granted it is further ordered that a copy of the Other be published in the BAY AREA REPORTER, a

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME FILE NO. 264742.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN FRANKOISCO, in the matter of the application of SANDRA ANN NEGA, for change of name. The application of SANDRA ANN NEGA, for change of name. The application of SANDRA ANN NEGA, for change of name, having been filled in Court, and it appearing from said application that SANDRA ANWAMECA NERMGA. Now, therefore, it is hereby ordered and directed, that all persons interested in said matter do appear before this Court in Department X-4 on the 15th discount in Department X-4

of this Order be published in the BAY AREA REPORTER, a newspaper of general cir-culation, printed in said county, at least once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the day of said hearing. Dated this 27th day of Cotober, 1994. November 10, 17, 23, December 1, 1994

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME FILE NO.

IN THE SUPERIOR TO LIT OF THE STATE OF CALORINUA NAD FOR THE COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO, in the matter of the application of LIM, SHIN YEON, for change of name. The application of LIM, SHIN YEON, shill A YEON, for change of name, having been filed in Court, and it appearing from said application that LIM, SHIN YEON has filed an application proposing that HER name be changed to LIM, SAMANTHA SHIN-YEON. Now, therefore, its hereby ordered and directed, that all persons interested in said matter do appear before this Court in Department X-4 on the 7th day of December 1994, at 9:00am of said day to show cause why the application for change of name should not

be granted it is further ordered that a copy of this Order be published in the BAY AREA REPORTER, a newspaper of general circulation, printed in said county, at least once a week for four consecutive weeks prior to the day of said hearing. Dated this 28th day of October, 1994. per 3, 10, 17, 24, 1994

FICTITICIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 190378 STATEMENT FILE NO. 190378
The following person is doing business as EVERGREEN CONSULTING, 570 Beale St. #118, San Francisco, CA 94103: JOHN LAVELLE 570 Beale St. #118, San Francisco, CA 94103. High San Francisco, CA 94103. High San Statement was more on the date October 12, business name on the date October 12, individual. Signed JOHN LAVELLE This statement was filed with the County Clark of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on October 12, 1994.

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FICTITICIOUS BUSINESS NAME

STATEMENT FILE NO. 190703

The following person is doing business as WOOPER WALKERS, 679 28th St., San Francisco, CA 94/31-2115. MICHAEL E. KINNEY 679 28th St., San Francisco, CA 94/31-2115. Registrant commenced business under the above follows business and conducted by an individual. Signed MICHAEL E. KINNEY. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of the City and County of San Francisco, CA on October 25, 1994.

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FICTITICIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NO. 190512

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The following person is doing business as GOLDEN GATE TELECOM, 175 Red Rock Way K-305, San Francisco, CA 94131.

MICHAEL D. McCLUFE 175 Red Rock Way K-305, San Francisco, CA 94131. Registrant commenced business under the above fictious business name on the date October 17, 1994. This business is conducted by an individual. Signed MICHAEL D. McCLUFE. This statement was filled with the Courty Clerk of the City and Courty of San Francisco, CA on October 18, 1994.

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STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF FICTITICIOUS BUSINESS STATEMENT FILE NO. 0177223

The following person has abandoned the use of the fictitious business known as CUICK-TRICKS BRIDGE CULB, at 150 Eureka St., San Francisco, CA 9414.

The fictitious name referred to above was 27, 1983.

Name and address of registrant: CRAIG DAVIDS NN BAD Grand Known and CRAIGHT COMMENT.

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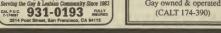


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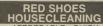
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# Still Boring After All These Years

by Alan Frutkin

n its third season premiere, the gay and lesbian PBS magazine show *In the Life* (airs Tuesday, Nov. 15, 11 p.m.) proves it has no better idea what it is or where it's going than it did in its first season. Though the show has been expanded to 60 minutes — as if it had outgrown its old 30-minute format — *In the Life* is still such a jumbled hodgepodge of ideas and styles that it defies real identity.

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Terence McNally

by Roberto Friedman

Six years ago Alan Hollinghurst eleited critical raves for his brilliant debut novel, The Swimming Pool Library, which somehow coupled very sexy scenes in the locker rooms of a London men's club with the repressed homeorotreism of an elderly aristocrat's memoirs. Now he is back with a second novel, The Folding State (Pantheon), the story of a thirty ish Englishman an Belgium, Edward Manners, who falls in hopeless love (and lust) with a beautiful boy he is hired to tutor, Luc. As in Swimming-Pool, there's lots of sex, drinking and literary inventiveness. Just my cup of itea.

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Photo: Marc Geller

'Rendez-Vous With Marlene' and 'Back to Bacharach'

### Waxing Nostalgic

by Chad Jones

s it coincidence or delicious fate that a Marlene Dietrich tribute and a Burt Bacharach review should open in San Francisco on the same rain-soaked Saturday night? Dietrich, the glamorous, ultra-butch German diva/actress, and Bacharach, the quintessential craftsman of late '60s, early '70s pop fluff, were great friends. Bacharach even conducted for Dietrich when she hit the concert circuit in Las Vegas in 1958. Dietrich says she always sought Bacharach's approval, and more than one tongue wagged when Bacharach left his German chanteuse for the supple curves of Angie Dickinson.

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Torill does Marlene

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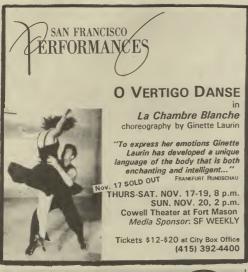
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#### **OUT THERE**

by Otter Outrage

ositively Eeeeevvvil:
This month's edition of the The Christian Singles Connection features a handy-dandy "Christian Movieguide" for proper holiday viewing. Movies to stay away from because they're "evil," "blasphemous" or "immoral" include Ed Wood, Kika, The Shawshank Redemption and Four Weddings and a Funeral. Not surprisingly, Priscilla, Queen of the Desert earned a low rating along with a film no one has even seen, It's Pat, which our telepathic Christian friends say is filled with "sex, violence and immorality."

he list of acceptable films includes Speed, True Lies and Jurassic Park, which we all know are about pacifists and God-fearing eunuchs. Shrill and obtuse, the Christian Singles' movie guide proves that the only thing worse than an evil flick is an outraged Christian.

hat's Outrageous: What will our Christian friends say when they see Dorothy Allison's Bastard Out of Carolina on the silver screen? That's right, Allison's mega-hit novel from '92 will be made into a film in the not too distant future. Director Allison Anders (Gas, Food, Lodging, Mi Vida Loca) is helming the project. At least that's what Allison told an enraptured audience last week during a reading she gave at the annual SF Book Fair.

ens On Films:
Middle America
must have been
stunned last week
when it tuned in for that daily
dose of video Metamucil –
Donahue – and instead of seeing ten fat housewives talking
about menstruation saw Pomo
Afro Homos Brian Freeman,
Eric Gupton and Joan Jett
Blakk parodying characters
from In Living Color. Freeman
told the SF Chronicle, "The
weirdest moment was in the
dressing room after the show.
The ministers were shaking our
hands and telling us how funny
we were."

ow Do You Spell Exploitation? If you didn't know last week was the annual network sweeps, it was certainly obvious from the programming as ABC and CBS dragged out the mouldering carcass of the Clarence and Anita Show for some 11th-hour scavenging and then bored everyone to death with news about the O.J. jury pool. Oprah got in on the act last Friday by inviting Tom Cruise on the show to talk about the role he essays in Interview With the Vampire. Sporting a goatee and his best grunge-wear, Cruise nonchalantly dodged questions from the audience about (yawn) his sexuality and blithely disregarded the angst of a dozen or so women who appeared to be dismayed that Cruise would appear in a "demonic" film.

ello Dreary: In Saturday's LA Times, adjacent to a story about a TV news producer who fears boring people to death, is a teaser promoting the new remastered recording of "the one Barbra Streisand

recording that has not been available on CD," the sound-track to 1969's Hello Dolly. Too bad the producers of the CD don't remember what the ineffable John Simon once wrote about Barbra's behemoth. We paraphrase: "'Hello Dolly is a multimillion-dollar musical superbore; a full-face closeup of Miss Streisand is a truly terrifying experience. Miss Streisand is obliged to act according to her face – aggressively, smugly, and with a masturbatory delight in herself."

ever Mind: Turns out Danny Kaye may not have been homo after all. At least that's the case his new biographer Martin Gottfried makes in Nobody's Fool. Gottfried specifically discounts Donald Spoto's allegations of a Kaye-Laurence Olivier sexual relationship. Maybe it's just as well Kaye wasn't one of us – he comes across as a real crank in Gottfried's tome.

ust in Time for the Holidays: Frameline, the producer of the annual SF Lesbian and Gay International Film Festival, has announced its new Lesbian & Gay Cinema Collection. There are ten titles available including Voices from the Front, Salut Victor, Together Alone and Extramuros, featuring fabulous Carmen Maura. The cost for each tape is \$39.95 (discounts are available for Frameline members) and are available by calling 1-800-439-1433.

he films are also available for purchase through Shocking Gray Corp., that faddish operation that continues to pollute our mailboxes with horrific catalogs full of banal objet d'arts. We can only hope that while les nouvelle queers are busy ordering up their trivial trinkets — cum rags stamped with the faces of David Geffen and Liz Taylor, paisley-patterned Xanax tins, or Barney Frank soaps-on-ropes — that they're also ordering the food for thought contained in Marlon Riggs' Tongues Untied, Barbara Hammer's Nitrate Kisses and Mark Christopher's Dead Boys' Club.

ious and Boring: While MCC church continues its cattle call for nominations for the third annual "Saints Alive Award," the staff at Out There continues to weed through responses to our Most Boring Homosexual in the World Contest. It isn't over yet, but here's a sampling of the most frequently occurring names: Michael Feinstein, Tommy Tune, Camille Paglia, Sandra Bernhard, Calvin Klein, David Leavitt, Tom Bianchi and Nicole Ramirez-Murray (pre-eminent drag queen from SoCal).

one of us expected that readers would also include dead homosexuals in the contest, but the names Ramon Novarro, J. Edgar Hoover, Raymond Burr, Somerset Maugham and Mary Martin did pop up several times. Someone submitted Ed Koch's name in the dead category, but we're pretty sure he's still alive, we think.

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Allison's Bastard Out of Carolina – a movie?



Brian Freeman: star turn on Donahue.



Cruise: the devil?



Ramon Novarro: dead and boring.



Somerset Maugham: ditto.

### **Wondrous Weltschmerz**

Madonna Bedtime Stories Sire/Maverick 45767

by Jeffery Kennedy

etween the lousy movie performances and the scandalous late-night talk show appearances and the (supposed-ly) dirty pictures, it's easy to forget that Madonna is a national pop music treasure. She co-wrote and recorded some of the best singles of the past decade, and her engaging autobiographical 1989 album, Like a Prayer, still sounds good. Although consumers balked at the self-conscious artyness of her last album, 1992's Erotica, those of us who actually listened to it found something of interest between the sheets. What was missing was good songwriting. With Bedtime Stories, however, Madonna dives back into the pop music pool and occasionally comes up with a gem.

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As a whole, the tracks on 
Bedtime Stories are marred by 
musical sameness. Each track is 
built on the laid-back, gin-andjuice, R&B groove popularized 
by rapper Snoop Doggy Dogg. 
"Bedtime Story," co-written 
with the charming Icelandic 
oddball Bjork, playfully evokes 
the collective unconscious and 
star tripping, yet Madonna 
seems uncomfortable in its 
spacey landscape. "Don't Stop,"



Madonna: still glamorous after all those bombs.

yet another Madonna "get into the groove" anthem, drags its heels. The closing ballad, "Take a Bow," is so formulaic it sounds dated and out of place here

But when producers Dallas Austin, Nellee Hooper, Babyface, Dave "Jam" Hall – and Madonna herself – show some artistry, the quality of the material improves significantly. "Inside of Me" is the aural equivalent of a tropical fish tank: air bubbles, filtered light and a dreamy sensuousness. The neat acoustic guitar intro and addictive chord changes of "Secret," Madonna's ode to self-love (and I'm not talking about

masturbation here), drove it straight to the top of the singles' chart. "Forbidden Love" has a subtle sexiness. On "Human Nature," Madonna rebukes her critics with an "Tm not your bitch, don't hang your shit on me" sneer. Hearing her response to the uproar caused by her 1992 book, Sex, and her Erotica album makes it easy to overlook the tiresome synth squeaking in the background.

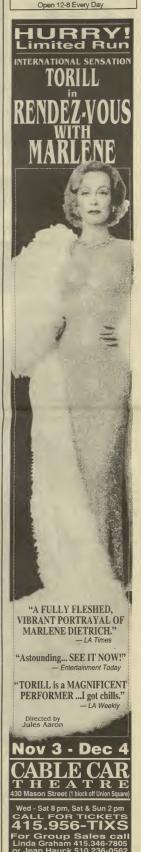
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But the most memorable song of this album is the Brazilian-flavored "Love Tried to Welcome Me." Over delicate guitars and gentle strings, Madonna eloquently, even poetically, explores sadness and loneliness. This isn't the first time she has sung about being miserable. Both the "Like a Prayer" single and 1990's "Vogue" are about finding shelter from a dark cloud: the former, through romance; the latter, on the dance floor. Being unhappy is something we can all relate to. In fact, I suspect some of Madonna's appeal is firmly rooted in her bittersweetness.

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On first hearing, Bedtime Stories' closest kin is Madonna's saccharine 1986 album True Blue. But whereas that record still sounds impersonal and shallow, Bedtime Stories becomes richer with repeated playings. Pay attention to the lyrics. Time may prove this one of Madonna's most substantial albums.

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Scott O'Hara

### Out There

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nly Your Hairdresser Knows For Sure: Last week's National Enquirer featured a helpful column for married women entitled, "How to Tell If Your Husband Is Gay." According to the Enquirer, the telltale signs are: If hubby puts a hand on another man's shoulder and it lingers there too long; if hubby comes home once too often with flowers and candy, prepares gourmet meals, and enjoys candlelight dinners; if hubby talks on the phone too long. Gee, that sounds a lot like Tipper Gore's description of Al.

hameless Panty Queen: Last week I received an unusual – and very clever – press kit in the mail from local performance artist Sandra Shamas, who is piloting something called My Boyfriend's



Al: does Tipper know?

Back and There's Going to be Laundry. In the kit, Shamas included a pair of men's briefs accompanied by a photo of herself holding a pair of undies so huge they'd sag even on Michelin Man Bill Clinton.

'm assuming that Shamas sent the photo and the undies to this paper because she knows that fags have a deep interest in men's underwear. But Sandra, please, sending out photos of yourself dangling a pair of skivvies so huge they could be used as a parachute by a Third World nation does not tickle gay sensibility. May we suggest that the next time you send out photos of men's brief's you put something diverting inside them, like, say, Scott O'Hara, or perhaps a blow-up doll of Keanu Reeves.

peaking of O'Hara, in last week's article on O'Hara by John F. Karr an important passage was dropped from the interview. It is reprinted here for



Shamas: Try Macy's underwear counter.

clarification: "The aims of Steam are lofty, indeed, and they've brought the magazine under fire more than once. The San Diego police dispatched a seriously intoned letter informing Steam that legal steps would be taken if the magazine did not stop advertising a certain San Diego park as a sex spot for gay men.

And San Francisco's Coalition for Healthy Sex – a group of health educators and sex club owners whose aim is to ensure the continued availability of sex venues in San Francisco – came under repeated fire from Steam for allegedly being "sex police." Entrenching themselves as the sex police of the sex police, Steam laughingly cen-

sored the Coalition's written response. What Steam entirely missed, in its rush to protect our rights, is that's exactly what the Coalition had been doing."

on't miss the exhibit Scott O' Hara: portraits, nudes and hard dick images, (Nov. 11-through Dec. 10) at Mark I. Chester's studio at 1229 Folsom St. The exhibit features delectable images of his royal splendidness by various artists including Michael Rosen, Howard Roffman, Don Bachardy, Jim Campbell and others. Don't miss the opening night on Nov. 11 (\$5, 7-11 p.m.). For information, call 292-3223. ▼

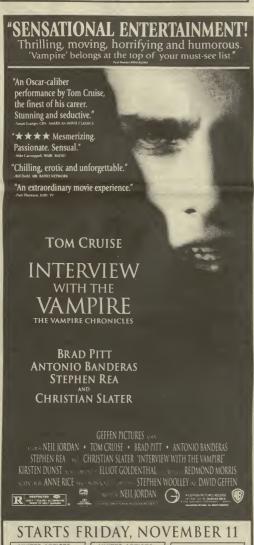
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### The Stones Just Keep Going and Going...

### Sweatin' to the Oldies

by Alan Frutkin

here weren't many queers in the crowd when the Rolling Stones played Oakland's Coliseum last week. (My very reliable Gaydar registered minus two all

Don't gay folks like the Stones? And if not, why? Granted, their music may not speak to us directly, but I always thought these guys were part

of a larger, collective consciousness whose songs crossed the boundaries of gender, race and sex. One thing's for sure, they're not Guns 'n' Roses. Perhaps the X Generation isn't old enough to remember the Stones' true artistic peak, but long before Pansy Division was even a glimmer in John Ginoli's eyes, queer kids were making out to Sticky Fingers. And the sexual revolution the Stones helped initiate in the straight world in the late '60s and early '70s helped pave the way for our own gay pride movement. So, in a way, the Stones are as important to gay culture as Bette and

Babs – okay, maybe not quite *that* important.

The show itself was great. Drawing mostly from their 1978 comeback album *Some Girls*, and from their 1978 comeback album Some Girls, and their new release Vodoo Lounge, our rock 'n' roll dinos proved they still have the magic touch. They threw in great, old favorites like "Heartbreaker," "Monkey Man," and "Street Fightin' Man." And the stage show was a feast for the senses, from the immense, high-tech grid of multi-colored lights to the griant video screen behind the band to a cest of the giant video screen behind the band to a cast of

the giant video screen behind the band to a cast of Mardi Gras-size inflatable figures that appeared onstage during "Sympathy for the Devil."

Nor would it be mere hyperbole to say Mick Jagger was in shape. The man ran back and forth on the stadium-wide stage all night long. During "It's All Over Now" he actually skipped across the stage, that's how much fun he was having. Even more surprising than Jagger's physical stamina was his voice. He didn't miss a note, and with Keith Richards slamming away at those power Keith Richards slamming away at those power chords, songs that have begun to sound trite over the years – "Satisfaction," for instance – sounded

crisp, clear and vital.

That vitality was truly inspiring to both see and hear. It was confirmation, of sorts, that some set of



Mick Jagger: fifty-one and still going.

principles from the '60s had actually withstood the test of time, whether it was the Stones' own brand of rebellion or larger issues of personal and political freedom from that era. The Stones proved that the art and idealism that drive rock 'n' roll are no sham.

One minor complaint: I saw the Stones on Halloween (no wonder there were no queers), and Halloween (no wonder there were no queers), and I was hoping for something special, different songs, maybe an extra encore, guests. Alas, they were pretty nonchalant about it being October 31. But I shouldn't have been so surprised, for Richards noted that every night is Halloween for him. But it didn't matter if spells weren't cast, for the show contained enough magic to satisfy even the most cynical fans.

### Joni and Laurie's New Albums

### Colorists

hese oversized ears have sure been tickled recently, and not just by a thick, wet tongue. Two favorite recording artists, Joni Mitchell and Laurie Anderson, released long-awaited new albums the same day. Both named after colors, their both named after colors, their titles reflect their sensibilities: Mitchell's arty, ten-dollar-word Turbulent Indigo, and Anderson's blunt, strippeddown Bright Red.

Early reviews have made much of Joni's return to the Reprise Records label, which released her early, folksy discs like *Blue*. True, the new songs are mostly acoustic guitarbased, and the whole has the downbeat, lyrical grace of a classic Joni album like *Hejira*. But *Indigo* is no regression to her tender past. The jazz phrasing and instrumentation are not overt, like on the much-maligned *Mingus*, but still in the mix; and Joni's voice, nearly thirty years into her record-ing career, has gone deep and sultry over time and many cigs.

sultry over time and many cigs.

Indigo is a clear progression
from her equally satisfying last
album, Night Ride Home.
Buttressed by strong bass lines
from her hubby in the band,
Larry Klein, Joni gives free rein
to meldic impulses in her to melodic impulses in her

music and social conscience in music and social conscience in her lyrics. She takes on urban ills, wife-beating, gun-toting schoolchildren. And, times being what they are, free-love Joni, poet of the sexual revolution, warns, "Gas leaks, and oil spills; sex sells everything, and sex kills."

Dedicated Joni-heads know that she is a lonely painter, she

that she is a lonely painter, she lives in a box of paints. The cover of the painterly-titled new CD is a self-portrait: Joni as Van Gogh, down to the severed



Laurie Anderson

ear. Inside are more visual compositions, and the lyric booklet looks like a catalogue to pictures at an exhibition. But it's her rich palette of music that colors the memory.

#### Bright Red

Laurie Anderson's first new album in five years arrives after months of delay. Produced by Brian Eno, Bright Red bears his distinctive stamp in the ambient wash. Still, the complex rhythms and invented electronics are pure Anderson: the opening piece, "Speechless," begins against the martial tattoo of syncopated percussion, like John Philip Sousa crossed with David Van Tieghem.

David Van Tieghem.

The apocalyptic landscapes of Laurie's lyrics bear scars of ecological devastation and plague. In "Love Among the Sailors," she asks, "Did you think this was the way your world would end? Hombres. Sailors. Comrades. There is no pure land now. No safe place.

pure land now. No safe place. And we stand here on the pier watching you drown."

Laurie Anderson's eyes are wide open in the second AIDS decade. The "Tightrope" she sings about, the delicate balance we maintain between life and death, is a "long, thin line made of my own blood." The album's very title refers to this album's very title refers to this cardiovascular concern. The spare arrangements and black mood of *Bright Red* seem suited to the mood of the moment: even the two songs which previously appeared on the sound-track to Wim Wenders' Faraway, So Close are slowed down, pared to their essential elements.

The artist who penned O Superman has not given up descrying American love for war technology. In "Night in Baghdad," she recasts the words of CNN correspondents, witnesses to the American bombnesses to the American comb-ing of Iraq who could find only Hallmark metaphors for the destruction: "It's so beautiful. It's like the Fourth of July. It's like a Christmas tree. It's like

fireflies on a summer night."

While others scrambled for McDonna's latest release, I was happily slaking my aural thirst with the new sounds from these brilliant women.

### Theatre for Your Head

by Chad Jones

#### 'Three Hotels'

'Three Hotels'
In this busy theatre season, it is easy to get caught up in the big productions like Angels In America, or, God help you, Cats, while overlooking some of the smaller, more interesting shows on local stages.

Over at the Magic Theatre, gay playwright Jon Robin Baitz's Three Hotels tells the blistering story of a marriage bearing the weight of the husband's immoral work ethic as a distributor of baby formula in underdeveloped nations, and the tragedy that ensues for his famtragedy that ensues for his fam-

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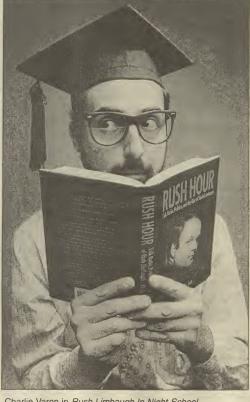
As the hard-hearted Kenneth Hoyle, Michael Murphy (of Altman movies M\*4\*\$\*H and Nashville to name two) makes an impressive Bay Area stage debut, and Bay Area favorite Lorri Holt is equally impressive as Barbara Hoyle, the wife who has reached the end of her emotional tether. Baitz's play is a series of three monologues – two for him, one for her – each delivered from a hotel room in a two for him, one for her – each delivered from a hotel room in a third world country. The dialogue is wildly intelligent and grandly theatrical. Kenneth and Barbara spin the tale of their marriage and their lives of luxury in impoverished countries, and while their stories are marriage and their lives of uxuryin impoverished countries, and while their stories are engaging, it is Baitz's joy of using simple language to deconstruct both the worlds of business and emotion that provide this play's fire. In a brief moment of bonding with his boss, Kenneth says, "...the madness we share is that he, like me, does not think that other people are actually real. Really exist. So it makes it possible to do any number of awful things." The characters aren't grounded so much in reality as they are in ideology, but in the capable hands of Baitz, whose Substance of Fire and The End of the Day have been produced at the Magic over the last two years, the politics feed the emotion and vice versa.

Every component of this production is to note from the

Every component of this production is top notch, from the strength of the script and the performances to Renee Shafransky's incisive direction and John Wilson's versatile yet realistic hotel room set. Three Hotels is the most darkly enter-taining and finely crafted Baitz play the Magic has produced. (For tickets and information, call 441-8822.)

#### 'Rush Limbaugh

'Rush Limbaugn
In Night School'
Whatever you do this busy season, do not miss Charlie Varon's one-man show Rush Limbaugh In Night School at the Marsh. Extended through the



Charlie Varon in Rush Limbaugh In Night School.

end of the month, Night School showcases Varon at his very best — as a pointed writer of political and cultural satire and skillful impersonation. Varon's pleasant basso voice has abundant shading and color, which allows the personaes of Limbaugh, Spalding Gray, Garrison Keillor, Jackie Mason, Cokie Roberts and a host of fictional characters to shine in all their hilarious detail. The gloriously characters to shine in all their hilarious detail. The gloriously cock-eyed story, set in 1996, follows Limbaugh's romance with an FBI fugitive whom he meets when, disguised as a liberal, he enrolls in the New School for Social Research to learn Spanish in an attempt to increase his listening audience. increase his listening audience. Varon is even able to work in a New York Shakespeare production of Othello directed by Gray starring Limbaugh as the moor and Keillor as Iago, Mason as Roderigo and Roberts as Desdemona. Night School is hilarious and intelligent in an NPR kind of way. The ultra-intimate Marsh stage is perfectly mate Marsh stage is perfectly suited to Varon's engaging, even exhilarating tour de force. (For tickets and information, call 641-0235.) ▼

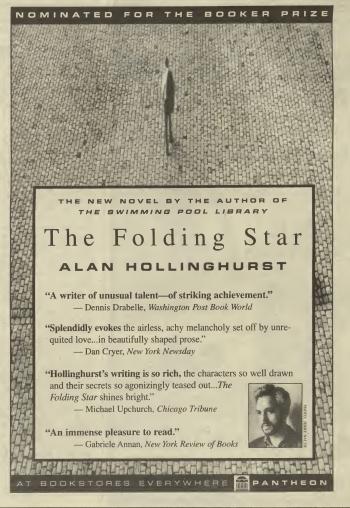




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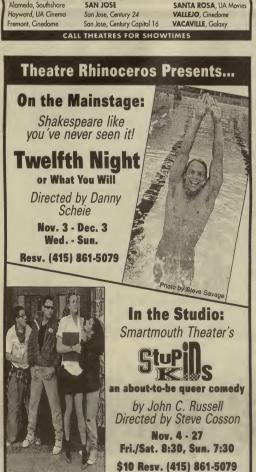


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#### THEATRE

### Rhino's 'Stupid Kids' and 'Twelfth Night'

### Beauty and the Bomb

ife's not easy for a high schooler living in the burbs. At least that's according to the initial premise of John C. Russell's Stupid Kids, which is currently enjoying its premiere production in Theater Rhinoceros' stu-

dio.

Jim Stark (Tom Darci) is the new guy in school, complete with his own motorcycle and nasty past. He wears a leather jacket, a T-shirt, a baseball cap and slouches his way from one and stouches his way from one situation to another. After their first meeting he sets his sights on Judy Noonan (Christina Kirk), one of the most popular girls around. Naturally, she prefers to think of herself as a free agent, but she is immediately attracted to lim. ly attracted to Jim.

In the traditional straight comedy, the ups and downs of the Jim/Judy relationship would have been the main focus, but not for Russell (who unfortu-nately died in April of this year). This playwright pulls their long suffering sidekicks to the fore-front. If life in the burbs is tough for Judy and Jim, it's practically impossible for Kimberly and

Neechee, two outcast/poet/philosophers

outcast/poet/philosophers caught in the traps of coming to terms with their sexuality. Hence Russell's subtitle: "an about-to-be queer comedy."

Neechee (Josh Frager), whose real name is John, has a sort of rumpled look and a plaintive air. He's attracted to Jim's outsider status. Thus he gives Jim a chance to be not so alone during his struggle for acceptance at his new high school. Jane (Lisa Gerstein), calls herself Kimberly after rock poet Patti Smith's little sister, the one who had no talent. With a self-defined perspective on a self-defined perspective on human behavior, she becomes Judy's intelligent and dedicated confidante.

#### Us against them

Through the guise of a battle against conformist society for Judy's and Jim's friendship, Kimberly and Neechee journey from frustrated outsiders to selfrespecting adults. This journey to self-discovery leads to a beautiful and intimate scene where the two outcasts realize what their feelings for their pals what their teelings for their pais include. As Kimberly points out, there is a big difference between loving a pal the way she loves Neechee and being in love with someone the way she is in love with Judy and Neechee is in love with Jim. Playwright Russell takes them one step further than this. The two make a ther than this. The two make a pact to reveal their feelings to

Judy and Jim.
Russell's writing is terrific. Russell's writing is terrific.

Not only does he bring the outcasts into hero status, he does it
by creating a world that is exciting, different and accessible. In
this allegorical representation of
our own world, the characters
speak an energetic slang, similar
to the one used in the film. to the one used in the film Heathers. Only here the language utilizes a far more expanguage utilizes a far more expansive montage of words and phrases. Kimberly and Neechee are the masters of this language. As poet-philosophers, they continually deconstruct and recontinually deconstruct and recontinually deconstruct. struct it, giving them great the-



Photo: Steve Savage

The cast of John C. Russell's Stupid Kids.

atrical power.

#### **Deft direction**

Steve Cosson's direction does more than maintain Russell's world; it enhances it. From Cosson's perspective, these young people are not just in conflict with society's rules and expectation, or even with each other, but also with themselves. Fach scene reflects selves. Each scene reflects another step in figuring out what another step in figuring out what they want and who they want to be. Juggling all of the conflicts while gently focusing on Neechee and Kimberly, Cosson steers the play to its final moments, giving the outcasts the kind of dignity such characters deserve.

The acting is uneven, but never so weak that it distracts from the production. Darci's Jim is all hip mannerisms and macho posturing. Yet, when the scene calls for his character to show some depth, he pulls out just enough to carry him through. Although the role of Judy is rather thankless, Kirk is never too shrill. At the same time, she is nowhere near as snobbish as she should be. Then again, if she were, how could Kimberly, or anyone else for that matter, really like her?

With his boyish demeanor and nerdy good looks, Frager appears to be impeccably cast as the uncertain Neechee. However, his performance made his character a little more ambiguous than it needed to be.

But the pivotal performance Lisa Gerstein's. She makes Kimberly one of those angry but zesty souls, the kind of actress who takes charge of the play with impressive results.
Gerstein's Kimberly does not want to belong as much as she wants to be accepted for who she is. The emotional strength of this actress is astonishing. Gerstein's performance alone is worth the price of admission.

Heavy weather
Unfortunately, the mainstage at Theatre Rhino is not as blessed as the studio this time around. It has been a long journey for Shakespeare Santa Cruz Artistic Director Danny Scheie to finally get a San Francisco platform on which to show off his homoerotic theories of Shakespeare's plays. And while Rhino is certainly the place to do

Rhino is certainly the place to do it, Scheie's current production of Twelfth Night isn't so hot.

This production is high on concept, but low on execution. The set has to be resident Production Manager Iva Walton's best to date. For her current creation, a ship's barracks/piano bar, Walton has completely removed the trapnings separating the stage from pings separating the stage from the wings and the audience, making the entire room the playing space. With an all-male cast, costumed primarily in various types of underwear (courtesy of designer Kim Curtis), the entire atmosphere evokes a group of horny sailors at sea having a thoroughly wicked good time. This idea is further reinforced because Scheie has made Orsino's opening speech ("If Music Be the Food of Love, Play On..."), a sailor's reverie at hearing a song from past evening's at the piano bar.

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In spite of such a terrific concept, the cast is unable to make it work. Quite frankly they're uniformly awful. The few performers who show a glimmer of solid characterization more often than not rely on gross cariculus to convex their roles.

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Furthermore, the first act dragged on in such an amateurish fashion that the intermission was a relief. Maybe the cast rallied during the break, for the second act was far better, concluding with a kind of pizzare. cluding with a kind of pizzazz that I expected of the entire production. However, a good con-clusion does not an entire pro-duction make. Better luck next time, Mr. Scheie.

Kids continues Stupid Kids continues through November 27 in Rhino's studio; Twelfth Night through Dec. 3 on the mainstage. Call 861-5079 for tick-

Theatre Rhinoceros

### Starless 'Fiddler'; half a 'Chalk Circle'

by John F. Karr

wo fabled shows with great starring roles for men came to local stages last week. But while the Berkeley Rep's ver-sion of Brecht's Caucasian Chalk Circle is recommended, albeit with some reservations. The Best of Broadway's Fiddler on the Roof is a must to avoid.

This 30th Anniversary revival of *Fiddler* demonstrates that this famed show (not quite great, due to its over-reliance on scenes-inone and stale crossovers like "The Rumor," but classic in its astute treatment, in musical comedy terms, of serious comedy terms, of themes) isn't foolproof.

Although I keenly anticipated Theodore Bikel as Tevye, it was Theodore Bikel as Tevye, it was he who proved the show's undoing. Presumedly to avoid comparison to the first and probably rest of the Tevye's, Bikel is so intent on underplaying the role, on throwing away its jokes and minimizing its crises, that the whole chew cross down the minimizing its crises, that the whole show goes down the drain. It's as if he just couldn't make the effort required. It's too bad, really, for he's betraying a wonderful supporting cast, including the best Frumah-Sarah ever. But that says it all. You know something's wrong when know something's wrong when Frumah-Sarah's the best thing of the evening.

This Fiddler on the Roof is decidedly a ground floor man; all the moves are there, but not the meaning: Also missing is the original production's turntable. And *Fiddler* without a turntable And riddler without a turntable is like Pagliacci without "Ridi."
You can do Fiddler without a star, without a turntable, in a summer tent. But not in the



Charles Dean, Rod Gnapp in The Caucasian Chalk Circle

Golden Gate at a \$55 top ticket. The Caucasian Chalk Circle is my personal favorite among Brecht's shows. In its eventful, Brecht's snows. In its eventrul, affecting story of a discarded child whose "ownership" is eventually disputed by its biologic and foster mothers, Brecht most successfully combined all his usually warring compo-nents: macabre humor, aching poetry, and touching romance, all, with gleefully cynical tone, larded over moral outrage and urgent political debate.

Director Tony Taccone is a little less successful with the components of his lively production. He made a giant mis-step in using the meager talents of Chic Street Man to sing and speak as Narrator, and he mis-cast a singer as the female lead. Karen-Angela Bishop simply lacks the range and variety to bring the first act to life, despite its revolutions, cliff-hangers and

its revolutions, cliff-hangers and romantic tumult. Yet in the second act, when Charles Dean, playing Azdak, the case's boozed-out, horny Robin Hoodof-a judge takes over, the play lights up the way it should, with wicked wit and moral fervor.

But half a Chalk Circle is better than none, and how soon will there be another big budget, professional local production? Again, a superb supporting cast; Wow! for Rod Gnapp, Linda Hoy, Sharon Lockwood and Wilma Bonet. So see it; just imagine a first half that matches the second.

Fiddler on the Roof, through November 27 at the Golden Gate Theatre, call 776-1999; Caucasian Chalk Circle, through December 18 at Berkeley Rep, call 1-510-845-4700.

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Dietrich

(Continued from cover)

Even if history has kept them apart, Burt and Marlene are together again, in a manner of speaking. The actress/singer Torill (just Torill, like Cher) is recreating Dietrich in her reverent one-woman show Rendez-Vous With Marlene at the Cable Car

show *Kenaez-vous with Martene* at the Cable Car Theatre, and Bacharach is the recipient of a kooky, campy tribute by a zippy quintet at Josie's Cabaret. Though she does not resemble Dietrich, Torildoes evoke the legendary movie star in a respectful, studied performance that includes numerous songs (in German and in English) and too many biographical monologues. When she's singing (accompanied ical monologues. When she's singing (accompanied on piano by Cesar Cancino), be it one of Dietrich's hits like "Falling in Love Again" or "Lili Marlen," or a German tune like "Das Lied Ist Aus," Torill is a delightful performer. The essence of Dietrich is present and the experience is heady. It's during the monologues that things get dicey. When she's being lewd (on the subject of Maurice Chevalier's imponents for instances of discussions has historial beautiful to the subject of Maurice Chevalier's imponents for instances and discussions has historial to the subject of Maurice Chevalier's imponents for instances and discussions has historial to the subject of Maurice Chevalier's imponents for instances for discussions has historial to the subject of Maurice Chevalier's imponents for instances for instances and the subject of Maurice Chevalier's imponents for instances fo tence, for instance) or discussing her bisexuality, Torill's Marelene is fun, but it's when things turn dramatic, especially at the end when Dietrich stops singing and starts coming to terms with her moth-er's lack of affection and her expatriate feelings for Germany, that the show fails. A revisionist '90s New Age take on someone like Dietrich just rings dramatically false, even if all the details are true. Dietrich was a star in the grand tradition of movie Dietrich was a star in the grand tradition of movie stars. That she has come back from the dead to correct the misinformation spread by her daughter Maria's book is nonsense. Dietrich was such a trooper it would not seem at all far-fetched to make her descend from heaven just to be able to perform one last time. With the dramatic infrastructure no longer needed, Torill could just sing and banter with the ordinary which she dree with great charm and the audience, which she does with great charm and elegance. The evening's greatest success is that it does bring Dietrich to the fore once again – top hat, tails and all – and helps us remember just what a beguiling original she really was

**Splendid throwback** 

As campy as Rendez-Vous With Marlene is reverent, Back to Bacharach at Josie's is a midnight show with big aspirations, enough talent to make it click and trunk full of musical delights. Written and directed by David Hawkins (who performed Yesterday's Heroes as a special opening-night treat), Bacharach is a straightforward musical tribtreat), Bacharach is a straightforward musical trib-ute executed in an effective revue format. The five-member cast (two men, three women) is almost crowded off the small Josie's stage by the five-piece band (piano, drums, bass, guitar and, most important, trumpet), but the enthusiasm of all involved easily smoothes over any rough patches, of which there are a few both musically, and vocally.

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With songs like "Say a Little Prayer," "One
Less Bell to Answer" and "Close to You," how
could a tribute like this be anything but a groovy
flashback to a time when clothes were uglier, hair mashack to a time when clothes were ugiter, hair was bigger and the country was in even more denial than it is now? Hawkins leads his cast, which includes Marilynn Fowler (a great Dionne Warwick), Katie Cronin, Kevin Lyons, Flynn and Leigh Crow (the erstwhile Elvis Herselvis), Leigh Crow (the erstwhile Elvis Herselvis), through simply staged but effective set pieces like "The Cocktail Party" and "The Battle of the Sexes." Musical highlights are "Anyone Who Had a Heart," sung by three women, "Walk on By," sung by Fowler and "The Look of Love," sung by Crow. The shag haircuts, flared trousers, the calf-learth year and the even present scarves work the length vests and the ever-present scarves evoke the era visually, and though the singing is not always spot-on, the performances are never less than far-out. Back to Bacharach is a kitschy frolic down memory lane with just enough satirical zest to keep the cringes at bay.

Rendez-Vous With Marlene continues at the Cable Car Theatre through Dec. 4. Call 956-8497 for tickets. Back to Bacharach runs through Nov. 26 at Josie's Cabaret and Juice Joint, Call 861-7933 for tickets.







#### **TELEVISION**

#### 'In the Life'

(Continued from cover)

In its latest incarnation, In the Life tackles an exhaustive roster of gay and lesbian subjects, including segments on National Coming Out Day, playwright Terence McNally's new work Love! Valour! Compassion!, queer native Americans, a look back at the year's most successful gay and lesbian films, and a chat with gay and lesbian authors Sara Schulman. Norman Wong, and Minnie Bruce Pratt.

In addition, the program airs huge chunks of two independent films, one produced by cable's Dyke TV called I Was a Lesbian Child, and another from San Francisco filmmakers Dee Mosbacher and Francis Reid entitled Straight from the Heart.

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Needless to say, there is a wealth of material here. And in the hands of the right producers, it might have been presented with the flair and continuity needed to make it fly. But as it stands, the effect is stupefying.

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Such a diverse array of topics
needs the right host to tie it all
together. But the show has no
high-profile personality who
can do what Kate Clinton or
Charles Busch did in previous
years. Instead, this year's show was one of its own producers, Katherine Linton, as its primary on-air personality. Linton is cer-tainly pleasant enough, but unrecognizable to most viewers. In fact, she never even bothers to identify herself at the top of the show. There's no "Hi, I'm Katherine Linton and for the

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next hour we'll be looking at ... Instead, she just plows along without ever mentioning her name. Who is she? What is she doing here? Should we care? That's the show's first mistake.

#### **Haphazard structure**

The second mistake is that the program's wide range of topics have been thrown together in a surprisingly slapdash style. For example, the pieces that could be defined as artsy – the features on McNally and the one on writers, the film segment



Sarah Schulman

more, the segment on Native Ameri cans sand-wiched between

p u t together en bloc, they're

two unrelated stories.

It's odd too that while the show's press release tells reporters that the segment on Native Americans is part of a continuing series of lifestyle stories that will coincide with nationally observed months of ethnic celebration, no one on the ethnic celebration, no one on the show ever says as much to view-ers. A simple explanation of what's going on would provide viewers with continuity and a frame of reference. Perhaps the producers should have assigned a name to this particular seg-ment, something like "Out in America," and created graphics that could play at the top of the that could play at the top of the program, like a real magazine show.

#### Not too current

The third gaffe is that the segments themselves are so uneven in terms of quality they make *In the Life* almost unwatchable. For instance, the McNally piece is quite good, as is the segment on Native Americans, but the book feature is awful. Norman Wong (Cultural Revolution) is completely uncomfortable reading on camera – his voice shakes the whole time. It beckons one to

change the channel. Even more shocking is the show's spotlight on film - which is months behind in its reporting. What behind in its reporting. What self-respecting queer needs to be told (in November) that Rose Troche's Go Fish was a success? Or that Gregg Araki's Totally Fu\*\*\*d Up came out this year? Or that Priscilla, Queen of the Desert is about drag queens? In fact, In the Life correspondent Cathay Che notes that the show previewed some of these films last April; so why return to them. cartiay the thoes that the show previewed some of these films last April, so why return to them now? Why some enterprising producer didn't assign someone to report on the forthcoming film To Wong Foo, Thanks for Everything Julie Newmar, which everyone is talking about, and which was filming in Manhattan's Webster Hall this summer, is beyond me. Season premieres are supposed to tell viewers what's new, not old. Finally, the most surprising thing about the show is that it doesn't fill its new, expanded 60-minute format. Why it was expanded is a mystery. At any rate, to stop up all those gaps the show uses enormous portions of

show uses enormous portions of the two independently produced films previously mentioned, especially Straight from the Heart. The film profiles parents who have to come to a new understanding about their gay and lesbian children. It's quite good, but does it deserve such a good, but does it deserve such a disproportionate amount of time on *In the Life?* We're not talking excerpts here either, a good third of the program is spent airing this documentary.

Since its first season on the air, *In the Life* has struggled with different formats and hosts.

It has changed from a variety program to one that is newsbased. This season it returns in a re-vamped quarterly format with one-hour episodes that will air in November, February, April and June. To its credit, the April and June. To its credit, the shows production values have improved. At the same time, however, it's trying out so many different ideas that it still has no identifiable personality; there is no signature look, no glue that holds it together. In the Life may be the first and only regularly scheduled, nationally broadcast program devoted to presenting the culture, issues and ideas of the gay and lesbian community, but why is it still so boring?  $\bigvee$ 

#### **BOOKS**

### **Forrest on Tape**

Curious Wine by Katherine V. Forrest read by Jane Merrow; Naiad, \$16.95

ve been curious about books on tape for quite a while, but bibliophile that I am, I couldn't imagine that listening to a book could ever be as sat-isfying as reading the book myself. Then I listened to *Curious Wine*, as

read by Jane Merrow, and I have to say that, although I still prefer reading, listening to this tape provides satisfaction of another kind.

First, of course, there is the book itself. Curious Wine is one of my

itself. Curious Wine is one of my favorite novels, and, this is important, it contains some of Katherine Forrest's best erotic writing. Jane Merrow has a voice that could melt bones, deep and rich and very hot. The result is three-and-a-half hours of aural bliss, punctuated by some of the sexiest writing I've ever listened to. This is not a tape you'll want to listen to while driving – you'll definitely want to keep both hands free. Curious Wine is Naiad's first venture into books on tape and I look forward to future installments. A warning to Naiad, though: it may be

forward to future installments. A warning to Naiad, though: it may be safer to ship Robbi Sommers' stories in an asbestos container. ▼



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### Hollinghurst

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Hollinghurst was in town on a book tour and the SF Bay Area Book Fest. He received me in his room at the Huntington Hotel.

Roberto Friedman: Both The Swimming-Pool Library and The Folding Star are written in a beautiful, literary style, and they both have completely lusty, sex-obsessed main characters. It's an odd combination.

Alan Hollinghurst: Yes, I suppose that was one of the things that I wanted to do from the start, to give a truthful picture of life, of someone very much living through his sexuality.

In one scene Edward helps with an entrepreneur's soiled skivvies business, and he writes letters to send with the used briefs: "Doug and Darren dauntlessly double-fuck the freshman's dewy down-side..."

I'm actually quite bothered by these barriers between what's "pornographic" and what isn't. If porn is described as something which is designed primarily to titillate, I've never really done that. Edmund White told me he thought that we both in related ways are doing something which is actually rather novel, which is to write in a literary context rather explicitly about gay sexual things. A lot of the sex in *The Folding Star*, of course, is absurd, unsatisfactory or somehow humiliating,

although I do think it's probably more erotic than *The Swimming-Pool Library* because it has this suspense through deferral.

It's more a picture of obsessive desire, and part of what makes the book so tantalizing is that the desired person is such a cipher. Luc is so unknowable, at least thru Edward's eyes. Sometimes I wanted to take Edward by the shoulders and slap him around a bit!

I agree, Edward is completely exasperating. I think he realizes that deep down the whole thing with Luc is doomed.

Part of the book's suspense is not wanting other characters to catch on to his obsession, nab him as a pederast.

Quite. I mean, he wouldn't legally qualify as a pederast. The age of consent is 16 in Belgium. You know, in England we recently had this botched attempt to change the age of consent for gays, the desire to be put on an equal standing with the straight age of consent at 16. They sort of fudged it so that it's now 18.

That New Yorker review by Craig Seligman was sure a nasty piece of work.

It was certainly the most hostile review I've ever had, and it seemed motivated by some personal animus. The combination of bookishness and self-destructive sexual obsessiveness was something he obviously didn't believe was possible; but it was rather the whole point of the book



Photo: Marc Gelle

Alan Hollinghurst

Do you think of your work as characteristically British?

The concern with class and race, yes. You can't write about British life without writing about class, to some extent.

The book's essential situation has literary archetypes dat-

The book's essential situation has literary archetypes dating back to antiquity: the *Death* in Venice scenario where you have this bookish older man who abandons himself to this Dionysian, destructive force, embodied in a young boy.

The way that the subplot of symbolist painter Orst is interwoven into the main plot of sexual yearnings is similar to how Lord Nantwich's memoirs function in Swimming-Pool.

Both books do turn on this relationship between an older man and a younger man, where the young man learns something about the past which lies beyond his ken

Folding Star has an unusual structure: in the middle of three parts, Edward goes back to England for a funeral and interacts with a different set of characters. It's almost as if the second section is a novella in itself, between the acts in Belgium.

Yes, the tempo of the outer sections is very slow, and that of the middle part is more compacted, lyrical, concentrated. Rather like a Symbolist painting, everything is steeped in mood.

You refer to "the never fully plausible world of heterosexual feeling." Edward visits an old school-chum of his and wonders, "Why did this dully charming man, who was already working absurdly to support two children, then go inanely on and sire a third?" It's the reverse of straight people saying they don't understand homosexuali-

I'm glad you saw that was the trick. Some in England were rattled by that passage, thought it meant, "Be queer or be square." I thought it was a fairly affectionate way of turning the tables and looking at heterosexual behavior with the same kind of puzzlement that heterosexuals turn on homosexuals – that anthropological gaze.

You describe a character: "He gave off the sexy mood of youth going smoky and drinky; if too shrewd actually to be a drunk, he was certainly a very drinky kind of person." I wonder where you draw that line! There is a lot of drinking in this book.

Yes, there is! Few people will admit to being a drunk, of course. I drink quite a lot myself, but I always felt that I was too sensitive ever to become a drunk. It's quite an imaginary borderline.

I heard that the BBC is making a telemovie of Swimming-Pool.

It's absolutely in the balance at the moment. A playwright named Kevin Elliott wrote a three-part adaptation of it which is terribly good. Last-minute cold feet were being expressed, the decision has to be made soon. I believe it will be done. You can't show people fucking, that sort of thing, but I think you can get extremely sexy effects, you can do a lot by suggestion. Kevin has deliberately left in all sorts of untelevisable things, a position from which to bargain!

Do you still swim? The Swimming-Pool Library really captured the atmosphere of an indoor pool. The pages just reeked of chlorine.

Yes, I swim at the London Y. Can you suggest a pool here? I feel terribly underexercised, after this book tour.

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I shall have to go there. ▼



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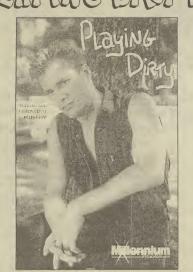
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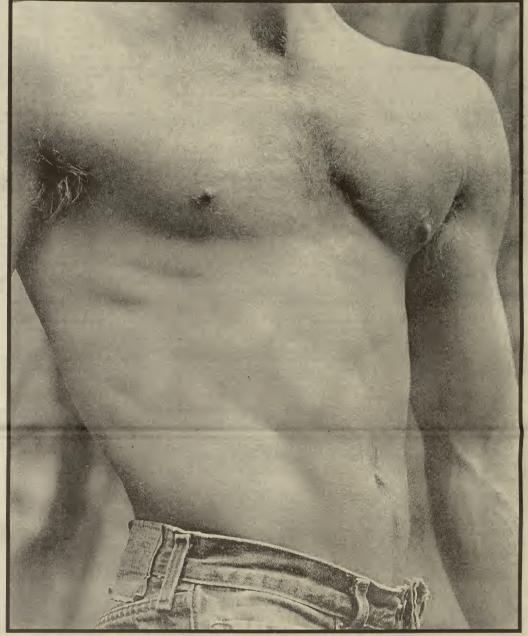
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## What Makes Folks Gay?



by Dean Hamer and Peter Copeland; Simon and Schuster, \$23

n the '50s, the popular wisdom about homosexuality was that its "causes" were entirely environmental. Mass-market publications contained articles warning parents not to be unwittingly "seductive" toward their children – or too distant. A 1958 report to the American Medical Association, declared *Coronet* magazine, "says flatly that sexual deviation is caused by parents."

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A few weeks ago, Oprah, the most popular talk-show host in America, cut off a nattering homophobe by announcing precisely the opposite: "It's hereditary, everyone knows that." 'Nuf said was her attitude, as though the matter had already been decided. Dr. Dean Hamer might not go quite that far, but his research into homosexuality's genetic links clearly point in that direction.

The Science of Desire is a compelling read, and not just for its science, which is put forth succinctly and accessibly. It's also a glimpse into the ways in which folklore, politics and prejudice override facts and the scientific method. Fear of sexuality in general and homosexuality in particular have much to do with current notions about our bio-

logical make-up.

Although sexuality is the key to human existence, Hamer asserts in the introduction, there is tence, Hamer asserts in the introduction, there is great pressure not to explore it at all. Many feel, he states, that the subject would be "better left to the church than to science. I disagree. The clergy is no better equipped to understand the origins of sexuality than it was a century ago to comprehend the origins of life or four centuries fathors the nature of the soler system."

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for the gay gene
Score one for Hamer, who by the end of the book has made a convincing case that high incidence of similarity in the Xq28 region of the 23rd X chromosome (which determines gender) of gay brothers indicates that male homosex-uality is genetically transmitted, most likely by the mother. Hamer's study tracked the families of 114 gay men,

76 of them selected randomly and 38 because they had a gay brother. Thirty-three out of 40 pairs of gay brothers shared the DNA markers on the 23rd chromosome.

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The news about Xq28 was released in July 1993, at the same time the Clinton administration's "Don't ask, don't tell, don't pursue" military policy was being finalized.

Did the information instantly sway anti-gay sentiment? Of course not, but Hamer did find himself in Colorado later that year testifying in the lower-court case challenging the constitutionality of Amendment 2, the voter initiative that would prohibit local governments from passing gay rights ordinances.

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Hamer's results were reflected in the Colorado judge's conclusion that Amendment 2 is unconstitutional (the case is continuing through the court system). As the scientist points out, though, the potential exists for abuse of his findings as well – people having prenatal tests and aborting fetuses that carry the gene, for instance.

The real danger

After admitting the all the pitfalls inherent in continued research in sexuality, Hamer writes that "the real danger is not studying sex at all." This he maintains, has had repercussions in the present:

When AIDS swept across the United States in the late 1970s and early 1980s, it was almost exclusively restricted to any men. The first thing enjudginglogists needed to

19/0s and early 1980s, it was almost exclusively restricted to gay men. The first thing epidemiologists needed to know was "How many gay men are there in the United States?" The answer was "We don't know." Nobody has studied that since [sexologist Alfred] Kinsey, the scientists said, and look what happened to him [political attacks against his work led to a loss of his funding and he "died a broken man"].

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Hamer, a molecular genetics researcher whose "usual subjects were yeast and mice," didn't realize what a trail-blazer he would be when he first conceived his study, but he found out quickly enough the obstacles confronting those who tackle a "hot" subject like homosexuality. Although the "facts" have always been constant – we just need to discern what they are – his inquiry and its follow-ups may likely sustain the shifting popular wisdom about what makes folks gay. The social, medical and other benefits of this could be enormous.

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"funny" as they work
their hips in a painful
rhythm, keeping their foreleg
straight while maintaining a heel-toe stance, all the while driving their bodies over vast distances of road or track to the finish line. And they are sometimes derided by other track athletes who are impatient for them to finish so they can get on with

They are actually called race-walkers, an often misunderstood group of track & field athletes. While their waddling motions may not appear as graceful as other athletes, racewalking is just as grueling, if not moresorthan any other event on the

San Francisco's Jon Borset San Francisco's Jon Borset started racewalking six years ago at the age of 59, when most athletes his age have already retired to a sofa and a remote control device. A knee injury suffered while skiing ended his running career, but he was anxious to stay in shape and continuation in some way. His lous to stay in snape and contin-ue competing in some way. His friend Tom Pait, a seasoned marathon runner and occasional race walker himself, suggested Borset get involved with a group called the Golden Gate Race Walkers. As a result, Jon's been walking his way toward a per-sonal best achievement and

more than a few medals since.

Borset took the gold in the 10,000 meter racewalk competition at the Vancouver Gay Games, and this year, at age 65.



John Borset: started competing at age 59.

he won the silver in the New York Gay Games 5,000 meter racewalk. He returned at the end of the week and race-walked the marathon, narrowly missing a bronze medal in that event.

"As a racewalker, I'm accus-tomed to being overlooked at

these events," Borset said after not seeing his name in the results for the Gay Games track & field events. While he may struggle for recognition, he isn't struggling with staying involved with his underrated sport.

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#### **SPORTS**



John Borset

#### **Borset**

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This Saturday, Borset competes in the National Postal Race at Foothill College in Los Altos, where he will race-walk for an hour on the track to see how far he can go, as thousands of others will do in Postal Races across the country. And he's registered to compete in the Cal International Marathon in Sacramento on December 4th.

"My walking form is finally starting to come together," Borset acknowledged. "Its very hard to maintain your form over distances like 10,000 meters or marathons. Lots of people fall into the rhythm of racewalking naturally, but others, like myself, really have to work to maintain our form."

In order to compete, the proper heel-toe/straight leg stance must be maintained, or a walker can be disqualified.

In order to compete, the proper heel-toe/straight leg stance must be maintained, as a walker can be disqualified. Borset admits he's been "DQ'd" half a dozen times, and received a number of warnings, but they've decreased over the years as his form has improved and he's gained more power in his legs.

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"My strength training at the gym for my knees and quads has really helped me with my form." Borset revealed. "The StairMaster also helps keep me in walking shape." While his knee injury initially hurt his straight-legged stance, that seems to be less problematic to him now.

to him now.

Borset's strength lies in his endurance, and he admits he is a better competitor at the longer races than he is at the short ones. But he enjoys it all, and readily confesses that he "loves competing."

He can be seen race-walk-instructions with the Coldon Getter.

He can be seen race-walking with the Golden Gate Race Walkers on Saturday mornings at various locations throughout the City, and with the Frontrunners and Bay Area Distance Runners as his schedule permits. Besides his two final races this year, he has his eye on competing in the Los Angeles Marathon next March and perhaps the New York Marathon next Fall. At 65, with his knee injury less of a worry and his leg power increasing, Jon's best racewalking years appear to be ahead of him! ▼







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#### **PARTING GLANCES**

Tony, SF Eagle, 9:30pm, 11/1 - You: Goatee, hairy, very hot guy Me: the one with the body piercings. It was hot. Thanks. I don't want a date, but how about one hot fuck sometime. You know my number. EXT 4132.

J. Yorke Landscaping - Hey J.Y., you have an admirer who thinks you're very hot. Are you sin-gle? EXT 4133.

"2MOE444"?, Benz - Driving your blue convertible South of Market by highway. You have a great moustache. I was in convertible behind you for some tance. Give a call. EXT 4050

"BOODERS 2" License Plate Monday 10/10 (around 3:45pm?). We were driving on Hwy 80, heading east toward Sacramento. You: ing east toward Sacrarmento. You: brown hair & moustache, driving a white Mazda truck w/ fireflighter logos on back window. Me: short brown hair & horseshee moustache, driving red car. We kept looking over, I had to be discreet cause I was w/ family. You took Winters/Redding exit, (Hwy 505?). Found you vey handsome. Please call. EXT 3947.

BART Tues/Thurs. - You: Asian, leather jacket, red hankie nght. Board on 12th st., exit Berkeley. Me: Dark glasses, watching you. Come & sit, I'll fill your needs. EXT 4010.

Jimmy, Buena Vieta Park -Looking for your big cock to work on again. You're tall, 40s, black hair, stache, & about 11" that likes thang down guy's throats. Call me, we can set something up or tell me how to reach you. EXT tell me how to reach you. 4011.

Testing Night, Steamworks You: Dark hair/eyes, plaid sleeve-less over white, jeans, bods, backpack. Me: 5'6", white, reddish hair, glasses, too shy to step for-ward. Another chance? You were w' clinic crew. Loved your eye contact & sexy smile. EXT 4051.

Missed Groceries at Safeway -You: WM, 6'3" or so, lean muscu-lar, & handsome (you said). Met at Market St. Safeway. "Foreplay" at phones, then I took you to my stu-dio apt. a few blocks away. Saw

you again in parked car by Union Sq., gave you my #. Let's do it again twice as good. EXT 4052.

At Walker Reprographics - You borrowed my SF map, Your gorgeous eyes excite me. Let's explore the city together in your new Beemer. EXT 4105.

Japanese Joe - Been trying to reach you. I'm tall Ron from Marin. EXT 4106.

Great America 10/28 - You: huge bodybuilder w/ buzz haircut. Me: muscular dark blonde. Saw you in line at Days of Thunder & again at exit. I was wearing checkered flannel shirt, unbuttoned. You were amazing looking. Let's get together. EXT 4134.

George, Halloween at Black Sand - We shared passion under the stairs. Regretted that I did not get your number, would like to develop our friendship. Leave a message w/ your number. David. EXT 4135.

#### **SEEKING** RELATIONSHIPS

W-W

Moon in Scorpio - Femme pro-fessional seeks butch for friend-ship & good, clean fun. Motorcycle & tatoo a plus. No bi's, games or bums please. EXT 4053.

#### SEEKING RELATIONSHIP

M-M

Attn: Hairy Doctor/Lawyer 42 39/0, HIV4, healthy GWM seeks an attractive, non-gym goer, extremely hairy 40-50/0 GWM/GJM, doctor or lawyer, who dark hair, moustache, hairy chest & legs & also balding for LTR. I'm 62°2, 185 ft. short br/grn, & clean shaven. EXT 4012.

GAM Seeking GWM - SF GAM, 5"11", 160#, seeking intelligent, thoughtful, humorous, romantic, mature, N/S, N/D, HIV-, no facial hair, h/wt proportionate GWM. EXT 4013.

Are You a Top - Do you prefer a partner who is masculine & unaffected out of bed but all bottom in? I'm a together young 51y/o GWM, slim, fair, smooth, N/S, N/D. We are both HIV-, health consious & ready. EXT 4014.

North Bay Man Seeks Local - 'm 42ylo, GWM top, HIV+, happy & healthy, seeking the company of someone who enjoys life's plea-sures. I find interest in most every-thing, but especially prefer the out-doors to crowds. Prefer GWM 36-48, ht/wt proportionate, HIV+ & a bottom. EXT 4016.

Beautiful, Clanly Bottom — Mouth watering hairy body/equipment, late 40s, 5°10°, needs tall learn built, hairy, sensitive top, for regular action or LTR. Prefer dark hair, decently hung, big feet, N/S, N/D, HIV-, honest, clean, reliable, 30-50s. No brutality or sleaze. XT 4017.

GBM, HIV+ - 5'9", 140#, med. complexion, personality, low key & possessive. You: aggressive, dominant, 35 or older, in fair condition, loving, caring, & patient. EXT 4018

Prolonged Nipple Play - Deep kisses, genuine affection, supportive, bright, educated, well-maintained, farm roots, wants to share upbeat lifestyle w/ similar, 30+. I'm 5'9', 145#, Nordic blonde, HIV+, smoker. Once or a lifetime. EXT 4019.

Big, but Beautiful - 36y/o, 240#, 6'3', bl/br, GWM. I'm a fat guy w/ big heart looking for GM between 27-42y/o, goodlooking, good shape, who loves chubby men. If this is you, then it's time to fall in love. EXT 4054.

"Very Hot" 22y/o WM - 6'3", 170#, light br/br. I have a wonderful life & I would like to share it w a wonderful person, 20-24y/o, NS & lean. Pefect, relationship proned guys only. EXT 4055.

Top this Bottom - SF GWM seeks same. I'm 54, 5'11", 225#, well educated, southern, financially secure. You: 30-50, clean-shaven, responsible, kind, affectionate, sexy, healthy, HIV+ a+. LTR a real possibility. Call now. EXT 4056.

Have a Bear Magazine Look -GWM 40, hairy, husky, balding, nice moustache. I'm 5'9", 195#, brown hair. I'm looking for a guy

20-30 w/ attractive boyish looks for poss. LTR. I enjoy bicycling, nature, sci-fi, films, & safe versatile sex. I'm HIV- & have good sense of humor. EXT 4057.

Muscular GWM 36 - Seek a muscular, smooth, hairless, well-defined Black guy 21-40 to date & be intimate w/. Please be sincere & nice. EXT 4058.

GLM Seeks Boylsh GWM -Novice daddy seeks a boylsh male for play, tenderness, & more. Smooth w/ a peaches & cream complexion is a special turn-on. Take a chance, I am. EXT 4059.

Kiss, Eat, Lick, Suck, Chew - Strickingly handsome, hairy, manly bottom, 40s, built, 51'0', 160's wants to obey just one man, regularly or LTR. You're tall, lean, seriously hairy, well hung, body builder over 40. Strictly top, HIV-, honest, clean, sensitive, NS, ND. No leather, sleaze or S&M. EXT 4060.

HIV+ Daddy Wanted - Looking for HIV+ top 35 or older who is a real headboard banger. Needs dark hair, br 'eyes & stache, no substitutes. I'm 32, 6', 190#, bl/bl, handsome, Soloflex beginner, but smoke. Looking for Mr. thick, dark & available. Capricorns, Virgos, & Scorpios most welcome. EXT 4061.

Attractive GWM, 6'2", B/BI - Looking to meet others for friend-ship/poss. LTR. If you're in you'ze in 20s or 30s, HIV+, positive minded & want to meet others of similar mindset, take a chance & give me a call. EXT 4062.

Butch Latino - Would like to meet Latinos or White dudes for friendship, then maybe more. Me: 5'6", 180#, dark skin, no facial hair, no tattoos, educated. You: 23-37, NS, no pop, sincere, outgoing HIV+ ok. EXT 4063.

GWM Desires Dominant GWM - Striking, funny, energetic, 28y/o, 5111, 160#, nice body, desiring thoughtful, honest, romantic, masculine, muscular, hung top for quiet times. I also like camping, beach, walks, animals. South Bay preferred, sincere replies only. Thanks. EXT 4064.

Bear w/ Brains Sought - I'm a goodlooking GWM 29, 5'9", 175#, br/gm, smooth, hung uc, HIV-, in search of a hairy guy who is smart, spiritual & has a good sense of

humor. I'm in good shape UB2. Beefy & bearded a+, age unimportant. EXT 4067.

Seeking Mate - Handsome, 39y/o, GWM, 5'11", 178#, hirsute, HIV-, drk br & grey balding hair/hz.l stache, goattee, seeks LTR w/ GWM or Italian M. Versatile, kiss-ing, small cut a +. EXT 4065.

Redwood City Boyfriend -HIV+, 190#, br/gm, 39, GWM, bot-tom/versatile open. Seeks trim to stout man 30-50, top/versatile for romance, hot times. Smoker OK, ND. MeX/Hisp/Latino/Italian man ASAP. EXT 4066.

Athletic & Healthy - Handsome WM 28, seeks similar tennis & bonding partner. EXT 4069.

LTR Oriented Studpuppy - Sexy HIV+ GWM. I'm 35, br/br, 5'10', 150# of lean, muscular, smooth man. Spank me, piss on me, plow me, cuddle me to sleep, then I'll do you tomorrow. Let's enjoy each other, the outdoors & be serious about our careers. Looking for LTR w/ monogamy. EXT 4070.

Lee Greenwood - Are you there? Hoping to meet attractive physical-ly & personally GWM for french kissing, hugging, frotage, &? love. I'm 5'11", 160#, aubum hair, fair. Seek man of similar age, height, weight, & maybe w/ short beard. EXT 4071.

Irresistable Devilish Smile Interests include tarot, magic, wholistic health & bodywork. Curly blonde/brown, blue eyes, 5'8", 130#. Seeking GM under 30. Asian a+. EXT 4073.

Seeking Friendship & Love -Attractive Latino from Nicaragua, 25y/o, seeks GWM American or Canadian 25-40. Me: 5°C, 145#, dark curty hair, clean shaven, smooth body, professional. You: versatile, enjoy music, outdoors, N/S, professional. EXT 4100.

Nude, Hard, Wild Thing - Cute, slim, GWM nudist/exhib. wants LTR w/ slim, smooth, trim, hung, versatile Gr/P exhib., sexaholic. Show en some big hard cock & hot but & how to eat it. Romantic, mature, normal otherwise. HIV+, but asymptomatic, bi-coastal (SF-FL). EXT 4104.

Romantic, Healthy, HIV+ -Successful, tall, 30ish, foxy GWM, br/bl, seeks LTR w/ professional, in-shape, funloving, HIV+, bottom. Clean-cut, boy next door look, not into bar scene. EXT 4103.

The Hottest Guy In Town - Even The Hottest Guy In Town - Even the hottest guy in town is not worth you risking your health over. Play safe! Protect yourself & those you play with. Always wear a condom when having anal sex, & don't exchange bodily fluids. If you're HIV+, don't panic, get early treatment, talk to someone that can help, & still play safe. EXT SAFE.

No Games, No Attitude Intellectually curious GWM seeks same for LTR. I'm 51, 5"11", 225#. Love weekend courting, moderate drinking, Southern manners. Anticipating move to Palm Springs home within a year. We are affectionate, healthy, humorous. SF and "tops" only please. EXT 4107.

GBM Seeks Mate - Must be bearded & thin. I'm 38, HIV-, 165#. Into music, hiking, mas-sage, mountains, woods, wildflow-ers, swimming, weightlifting, ND, NS, NA. EXT 4108.

GWM 51y/o Looking for Cowboy
- This older GWM is looking to be
with a younger cowboy who'd love
riding an older man. Take me to
the hills, the beach, or wherever
you like. Looking to be with you.
EXT 4109.

Dominate Me - Handsome German-American educated artist, 35, silim 6': Into books, music, HIV+, health, growth, reciprocity, films, hikes, fun in bed. Dark, hairy, silm, tatts, all double pluses. EXT 4110.

Vallejo GWM Seeks the Person Don't go out to bars, NS, drink
lightly, into nice home life, day to
day, not boning. We have well kept
bodies, mind, spirit, NS, ND, love
God, nature, motorcycle riding,
boats, tv, being close to best
friend. Me: 5'8', 140#, 50, smooth
skin, 90% full hair, wh/bi). Look
like "Larry Tate". Not lonely, just
alone FXT 4111. skin, 90% full hair, like "Larry Tate". I alone. EXT 4111.

New York Energy Wanted - Italian/Latin, 34-44, masculine, trim, who loves laughter, sun, tootball, oldies, fireplace cuddling? Try me: boomer, strawberry/blu, 5\*10\*\*, 158#, HIV-, independent. EXT 4112.

Just a Regular Guy - 6', 195#, blonde moustache, healthy HIV+, 40y/o. Into homelife, gardening, organic foods, photography, film, & outdoors. Seek a loving LTR w/ a Latin, Black or Spanish man who masculine, sexual, romantic, & committed. EXT 4113.

Melrose Place - I'm a big fan, are you? GWM 36, HIV+, dark hair/br, moustache, cute, gym toned, seeks GWM, 30-45, attractive nice body to date. EXT 4114.

GBM Seeks GBM - My skin is the color of chocolate, I stand 5'7", 145#, & I would love to have a very long slow dance with you. May I have this dance? EXT 4136.

Hot, Unique, Special - Black & American Indian, attr., sexy, masc., HIV healthy, 30s, 61°, 200#, fun, spintual, successful, romantic, athletic, outgoing, loving. I enjoy beaches, film, by travel, friends, the best in life & laughter. Seek similar hot man for poss. dating & romange. ND light diploker ing & romange. ing & romance. ND, light drinker ok, no S&M. EXT 4137.

#### **SEEKING ADVENTURE**

M-M

GBM Seeks Hairy & Husky -Attractive GBM, 40s, HIV-, 5'10", 165#, smooth body, coffee & cream skin. Seek GWM, 45-65, wl big thick cock, that enjoys to be serviced for hours & if you recipro-cate you'll be in for a surpnse. EXT 4020.

Very Handsome & Cute Prof. -28, 5'11", blk/br, 170#, brown male, seeks tall, physically fit, handsome, top men who are HIV-, discreet, masculine, 25-45, stable, N/D, no games. I live in Stockton. EXT 4015.

Older, Black Topman - Plump, balding, but hung big, wants butch blonde bottoms for hot quickies at my place in East Bay. Moustache a must. Healthy, experienced, masculine bottoms only. Discretion guarenteed. Be free evenings. EXT 4021.

Top Black Guy Wanted - To service your dick, balls, & ass. WM, 44, 6', 160, HIV-, semi-hairy, close filming? East Bay & uncut a plus. EXT 4022.

Suck on a Hard Young Stud -Very hot & young muscle boy, 27, 5'9', 185#, needs some intense expert sucking on his large mush-room headed cock & beautiful round edible ass. EXT 4023.

Anything Goes - WM 25, 5'7", 145#, seeks goodlooking WM 145#, seeks goodlooking WM under 30, top or bottom & adventurous, into almost anything, let's

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Come Here - Willing to service mature Mideast men & men of color. Being well-endowed more important than looks; clean & dis-creet please. EXT 4024,

Service Mel - Hot Italian ex-foot-ball jock, seeks oral servicing on a regular basis. Cum freaks wel-comed. Call for detailed descrip-tion. Long sessions preferred. EXT 4026.

Cholo Boys - Goodlooking White blonde dude wants to suck off & be fucked by horny hot young cholo boys. Bi ok. UB goodlooking. Call me 4 service. U will b very glad u did. EXT 4027.

Palo Alto Cocksucker - Filipino 35, 205#, 5'11", blk/br, wants to suck cock w/ no reciprocation to guys under 40. EXT 4028.

J/O, Suck Buddy Wanted -GWM 40, 6'1" 210#, well-built, masc., hainy, 7.5" meat, seeks other GWM, 35-45, very masc., clean cut, well-built, about my height & weight. I like hairy, blue collar types, uncut guys, married, uniform. Daytime encounters. EXT 4029.

Hot Italian Cocksucker
Available days & evenings.
Seeking hot men to drain on regular basis. Castro location. Call for description. Let me be your cocksucking slave. EXT 4031.

2+ or Groups - Bottom cock-sucker seeking new groups to feed me. Exhibitionism a specialty. Use me for active hungry oral ser-vice. 45+ a turn on. Halloween at the River? Travel SF to Sonoma. FXT 4032 EXT 4032.

Hung Black Top, 40 - Enjoys tall, husky, mature, moustached, but non-bearded bottoms. Please be directly reachable by phone, free of emotional committments, able to travel weeknights & available on short notice, thanks. EXT 4033.

Black Male - 6', 38, 195#, seeks W/H/A bottoms, 25-38, slim, muscular, HIV-, hairy arms/legs a+, smooth/little hair on chest. Assplay, cuddling, honest, sincere. No cons, games, lean & masculine only EXT 4074

Hairy? Celtic? Married? -Mature SF deepthroat expert seeks hairy hunk w/ Celtic back-ground for oral servicing, one time or ongoing. No reciprocation. 304-& married preferred. Discretion assured. EXT 4076.

Service Me - Handsome, hot, young stud, muscular top, hung 7.5x6°, clean cut, 185#, br/br, 35, looking for hot butch White males to 35 w/ deep throats. Must be eager to please. Cops a+. EXT 4077.

Hung Black Male 9" - Clean, uncut, 59ylo, HIV-, 170#, wants submissive deepthroat experience cocksucker to suck cock & milk hot cum from my big balls. Erofic massage a tum on. Your looks unimportant. Sincere please. Older prefered. Leave name, #, & time to call. EXT 4078.

Hairy-Chested Mex. Luchador Or other Latino wanted by tough,
rugged, very hairy GWM into working out, wresting (lucha libre), boxing, S&M, handcuffs, very rough,
mutual pecwork, leather, full erotic
massage. Private dungeon/gym
awaits the right hunky hairy Latin
stud. EXT 4079.

Black & Latino Wanted 35, br/bl, moustache, balding, looking for Latins/Blacks into versatile sex. Right time is the night time for some good ? EXT 4080. At Your Service - Hot Italian expert cocksucker offers private 1 on 1 or small group servicing on regular basis. Call for description. Located in the Castro. Available days & evenings. EXT 4081.

Older Seeks Younger - For ongoing sexual friendship both in & out of bed. I'm 71, 58°, 1604, broadminded & open to most scenes safely done w attractive under 45, son, slave, boy-loy who likes to serve well. EXT 4082.

From Your Mouth to My Butt -Goodlooking tasty clean GWM 35, bl/bl, 160#, rides healthy strong tongue. You: masculine furry face, chest, fit submissive tits. No greek, your place. EXT 4083.

Vallejo Area - Older White Sr. 70, gives oral sex to guys 50+, your place, mornings best. HIV-, be sincere, no reciprocation. EXT 4084.

Oaklander - Seeking super mas-culine. Age, size, looks unimpor-tant. Be like me into heavy macho drity talk, intense j/o, getting fucked up (share expenses), mini-mal oral (me receiving), meet my place late evenings. No videos, shaved cocks or anal. EXT 4085.

Free Quality Massage - For handsome guys 20-35 who take good care of themselves. Genuine, sensual, masculine attention. Table. 6'2', 175#, 40, goodlooking, safe, sincere. EXT 4086.

Love Thin Asians - Handsome, in shape, professional GWM loves very thin Asians. I'm 52 (look much younger), Jewish, 5's", 175#. N/S, N/A, HIV-, workout regularly. I'm looking for fun or possible LTR w/ a very thin Asian guy, any age. EXT 4087.

Hot Hooded Cock - Goodlooking man seeks steady service, reciprication if you're hot, hung 7.5°+, & like to have a good time. Masculine a+, healthy HIV+ ok. Call & talk it over. EXT 4099.

Two Hot Lovers - We're in our 30s, better than average dicks, & always horny. Looking for others for explosive sex. We like small guys, big guys, daddy/boy couples, etc...EXT 4088.

The Hottest Guy In Town - Even the hottest guy in town is not worth you risking your health over. Play safe! Protect yourself & hose you play with. Always wear a condom when having anal sex, & don't exchange bodily fluids. If you're HIV+, don't panic, get early treatment, talk to someone that can help, & still play safe. EXT SAFE.

Scorpio Turns 57 - English/Irish, 55°, 140%, graying br/bl, versatile, safe, HIV-, seeks Black man, age, height, weight, dick size not as important as much as being able to talk, laugh before, during or after we fuck our brains out. Is that too much to ask? EXT 4115.

Hypnotist Wanted - Eager, excellent & very hypnotizable subject wants experienced hypnotist to take me on erotic journeys & adventures. I'm obedient. EXT 4116.

Boy/Man Toys - You: slim/mus-cular bottom who enjoys seducing, serving, a handsome Hawaiian/ Latin hunk, 33, w/ chiseled muscu-lar build. Like getting toyed w/ dominated, maybe tied up, plead-ing w/ your man to ride you & let you cum? Playful passion is my specialty. EXT 4117.

Morning Hardons Wanted - Oakland man wants to service your hard morning meat before you piss it away & send you off to work w/ a smile. Big, fat & uncut are my specialities. Please call, let's talk. EXT 4122.

Want to Be Examined - This 51y/o GWM wants to have a physical examination done w/ sexual attention by GWM or GBM. Must have medical experience. I'm 5'8", 160#, br/bl, 7" hung. EXT 4118.

Hot GWM 51 Wants Hot GBM - Looking for hot GBM who wants to undress me & do hot sexual things to me. Looking for ages @ 29 only. SF area only. EXT 4119.

408 Area Code - Will spread my legs, if you will regularly deep throat my black tool. Stocky, big, 50s. EXT 4120.

Hot Black Men - These 30s White guys want to orally service you. We're HIV- & masculine. You're fit, HIV-, uninhibited & ready

their meat serviced. Absolutely no reciprication. Just love big floppy thick slabs of meat in my face. Open to all WMs with 10"+. EXT 4037.

Stud Butthole Licker - Muscular, raunchy jock w/ rimseat looking for studs who like to have their assholes worshipped by an eager, hot tongue. EXT 4038.

Spread Eagled - Bound, my ass cheeks red from flogging, my boyhole greased & plugged, my 5" pierced uncut dick sheathed in lucite filling up with boy piss, my pierced nips pumped & fied up, knee high loggers, gagged moans

5'8", 140#, tan, beard, N/A, N/D. EXT 4093.

Suck Toes & Rub Dicks - I'll wrap my tongue around your toes & play w' your boner. Slobber on my toes & each one feels like a hard dick. I'm 41, 145#, 5'9". Looking for other cleanshaven guys w' stiff dongs, clean feet. EXT 4094.

Assman & Rump Rider - WM 37, 5'6", 140#, into mansmells & butt play, looking for big tall guys 18-42 w/ hard, hairy butts that stink bad, need emptying & refilling. EXT 4095.

Shave It - Like to shave & be shaven, in pairs or in groups, during & after, when we suck cock &

6'5", 280#, football player's build You: attractive, GWM, 18-35, slim, smooth to moderate body hair, great buns. EXT 4130.

Bootlicking & Polishing Toe Sucking - Foot fetishist seeks healthy, masculine attractive, clean-cut guys for safe-sex fan-tasies involving the above. EXT 4129

On Your Knees, Mister - Looking for trainable male, to do strictly as I say. If this is you, & you are GWM, muscular, & hairy, then call me. I'm GWM, 40s, 5'11", 165#, gym regular, HIV2, & very oral. You will satisfy me & I will take care of you. EXT 4140.

FFB w/ Huge Hole - Seek dominant, aggressive, kinky tops into oversized butt plugs, gigantic dilidos, large fists (2 at a time), & larger feet. There is nothing this hole can't take. I dare you to prove me wrong. Also dig heavy CBT, groups, & partying. HIV+. EXT 4141.

#### **COUPLES**

American Seeks European -American GWM 27, mature, responsible, kind & trustworthy, is seeking responsible & senous European woman who needs American citizenship. EXT 3926.

Let's Get Together
Goodlooking, active, fun loving, professional couple, both trim & new to Marin seek same for fun & adventures, indoor & outdoor activities. EXT 4131.

#### **OTHER**

Spanish Foreign Student -GWM student from Barcelona would like to spend next summer in SF studying English. Need a place to stay, would like to exchange rent for work around the house; non-sexual please. EXT 3950

Small Favors - Seeking small-endowed men, HIV-, topman to make my birthday wish come true. I'm 39, masculine, nice guy. EXT 4042.

San Jose or Vicinity - Seeking room or overnight space, 4 nights a week (Mon.-Thur.), Jan. 20 thru May 30th 1995. By SJSU student, nurse, massage therapist. Massage for rent exchange possible. EXT 4043.

24y/o Boy Coming Your Way - Moving to SF & looking for work or home. Live-in housekeeper, child care, assistant, companion, whatever. Or need place to stay for cheap or for work until 1get set up. Honest, dependable, hot, clean, no games or kink. Please call. EXT 4044.

**Buddhist Churches of America** -Gay, Lesbian, HIV+, past/present members of BCoA: Buddhist researcher wants your experi-ences. Were you comfortable? Names unnecesarry. EXT 4098.

Holiday Good Cheer! - Help us out by sharing your holiday cheer. Under One Roof needs holiday volunteers. Please call Dan at

The Hottest Guy in Town - Even the hottest guy in town is not worth you risking your health over. Play safe! Protect yourself & hose you play with. Always wear a condom when having anal sex, & don't exchange bodily fluids. If you're HIV+, don't panic, get early treatment, talk to someone that can help, & still play safe. EXT SAFE.

#### **Bar Talk** Ad of the Week!

Not lonely, just alone. EXT 302 wht. hair, blue Clea 160H Eager, Hypnotist Wanted ar. excellent & very hypnotizable subtop W ject wants experienced hypnotist to sce take me on erotic journeys & adventures. I'm obedient. EXT unc Nre-11/4 cle PI 1 4116. I from Bay Area 5'8" C

to feed us. No hassles. EXT 4121.

Dominant Hard & Ready - WM hung big, 5'11", gym body, needs in-shape, WM w/ hairy bubble butt to eat & fuck. EXT 4123.

Hot Deep Wet Ass - Needs BMWM top who will really appreciate it. I'm an honest, compassionate, professional guy who loves to let loose & really enjoy the moment (or hour). Sports tan, like hiking, movies, people. Enjoy life, this is no dress rehearsal. WM, 46, 170#, 5'10", beard. EXT 4138.

Attn: Hung Tops - I need a big, trustworthy guy to force my buns wide & fill me w/ his thick penis. I am very cute, blonde, tall & young w/ a hairless, inviting & responsive derrier. Enemas & bondage considered. Marin a plus. EXT 4139.

**FETISHES** 

This Guinea Pig - Hot red-head, 6'3", 195#, 40s, total penis, semen addict, surrenders vac-pumped, shaved blubberdick 8.5x8", huge nipples to heavy-duty service. Dick doctor, fag-chasers. CBT, medlab experiments, & aroma a+. Perm. rel. & scene wanted. EXT 4034.

Dad Seeks Younger WS Top -Stable, professional, slim, fit, HIV-, GWM 49, seeks healthy GWM ready to teach me how to satisfy his WS needs. EXT 4035.

FFB/Vers. - Very handsome talent seeks tops or versatiles for long sweaty rides. Be HIV-, experienced, anatomy aware. Footlong hotdogs relished & steamy buns defity spread & deeply embellished. No Speed! EXT 4036.

Cocksucker Wants Big Dicks -Looking for as many big dicked men as I can get who love to have

Vacuum Pumpers - Vacuum pumpers of Bay Area, let's get let's clet's clet

Sleazy Leathermen - Looking for sleazy leather, uniform types into boots, gloves, tatts, shaved heads, Malboros, & cigars. Friendship, videos, photography. EXT 4041.

Scat Bottom - Goodlooking b/bl, 38, deep throat designed to suck mushroom headed cocks, & real long tongue seek hairy ass bubble but to feed me monster dumps. Need steady diet. EXT 4089.

Baby Pants & Diapers - Daddy will diaper all baby boys under 40, pull on their baby pants & give them a bottle or pacifier to suck. If you still need your wet diapers & bottle, call this daddy now. EXT 4090.

East Bay Masculine GJM -Really dig talking about cock w/ other guys, j/o, cock worship, get-ting wasted, some oral, late evenings my place. Really dig evenings my place. Really dig watching superhung guys. No videos, shaved cocks. EXT 4091.

Are You Man Enough? - Sex slave available. Looking for take charge dominant guy over 60. I'm Sar hick tool. Enjoy getting punished & loved. Would like to be your sex slave. EXT 4092.

I Peed in my Diaper - Or latex shorts, you inspect me, then spank me mildly, then fuck me. I cum your mouth. Older man or unex-perienced welcome. HIV-, sar only. I'm blonde, 25, handsome, smooth, hung. EXT 4068.

Barefeet Now & Forever - Lifelong excitement looking at & fantasizing about men's bare feet. Very aroused sensually/sexually, by kissing, licking, smelling, caressing barefeet in reciprocal action, j/o. East Bay GWM, HIV-,

eat that nice, smooth butt & nipples. Horny & Ready? 25-35y/os only. EXT 4124. Sonoma County Rainmakers

Any guys up here who are interested in W/S? Give me a call. EXT 4096.

Obedient Boy - Good Christian boy wanted by older man to clean his apartment stark naked & receive spankings. EXT 4097.

The Hottest Guy In Town - Even the hottest guy in town is not worth you risking your health over. Play safe! Protect yourself & hose you play with. Always wear a condom when having anal sex, & don't exchange bodily fluids. If you're entitle the hority panic, get early treatment, talk to someone that can help, & still play safe. EXT SAFE.

Safe Scat Action - WM 32, mas-culine, looking to hear from other dudes who dig the sight & sounds of men taking a dump, especially in public restrooms & outdoor action. EXT 4125.

Vacuum Pumpers Rise Up -Need another GWM, BB, for play on my 46" pecs to enhance an engorging hour. Bring connector valve, cylinder, & camera. Hairy redhead, sundeck a+. Muscular only. EXT 4126.

Musclemen w/ Huge Hard Pecs
- Let this 6', bl/bl, German oil up
your chest for an intense massage, lick & suck. I got big pecs &
I like to service big pecs. Chest
work only. EXT 4127.

SMFF - Fit & tough 59, 5'11", 165#, w/ bondage sling seeks powertrip topfist master, any stats. Butthole brainwash, deep, wide, punch. Top couples welcome. No limits. EXT 4128.

Your Ass Will Sizzle - Light spanking will stimulate nerve end-ings you never knew you had. Then on your knees for a long safe ride. Me: attractive GWM, 44,

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Beauty
Steven Patterson's oneman odyssey into the
homoerotic prison world of
Jean Genet. Fridays thru
12/9. \$10. 10pm. Josie's
Cabaret, 3583 16th St.
861-7933.

Chicken Hawk

"Men Who Love Boys", documentary on the lives of five members of NAMBLA. \$5.50. Thru 11/15, call for times. Red Vic Movie House, 1727 Haight St. 668-3994.

Dylan Kussman's drama of a young man's struggle for self-definition, from Berkeley Theater Project. Thurs.-Sun. thru 11/20. \$10-12. 8pm. Climate Theater, 252 9th St. 626-9196.

11/11 on 11th
Block Party
Twenty "New Jazz" bands.
11th St. betw. Folsom '&
Bryant Sts. \$11 all club
pass. \$2 street access.
7pm-1:30am. 788-7353.

Kept

Ken Prestininzi's new play is staged on a mattress, in Ken Prestininzi's new play is staged on a mattress, in an engine and on desert sands. Thurs.-Sat. thru 11/20. \$10. 8pm. Intersection, 446 Valencia St. 626-3311.

Lips Together, Teeth Apart

Two het couples amidst gay

Fire Island, Terrence McNally's comedy present-ed by Actors Ensemble of Berkeley. Fri. & Sat. thru 11/19, \$8. 8pm. Live Oak Theatre, 1301 Shattuck, Berkeley. **(510)** 528-5620.

LOOT
J2M Productions presents
the farce by Joe Orton. \$1315. Thurs.-Sat. at 8pm,
Sun. at 7pm, thru 12/17.
Victoria Theatre, 2961 16th
St. 863-7576.

Men on Men 5

David Bergman, editor, and local contributors to new anthology read, free. 7:30pm. A Different Light, 489 Castro St. 431-0891

Mira,Cycle III

Contraband performs Sara Shelton Mann's exploration of the life of 16th Century Indian leader Mirabai. Thru I1/13. \$10-15. 8pm. Theater Artaud, 450 Florida St. 621-7797.

The Member
of the Wedding
Carson McCullers' drama,
from Tour de Force Theatre
Co. and Fellowship Theatre
Guild. Thurs.-Sat. at 8pm,
Sun. at 3pm thru 12/11.
\$15. Thurman Hall, 2001
Larkin St. **359-6636**.

Poet and performance artist Mark Ameen in Sarah Schulman's play about the impact of the AIDS crisis. Wed.-Sun. thru 11/20. \$10-12. 8pm. Josie's Cabaret, 3583 16th St. **861-7933**.

**Oedipus Rex** 

Sophocles' tragedy takes place in the present, under Ronnie Larsen and Barry Horwitz's direction. Fri. & Sat. at 8pm, Sun. at 7pm thru 11/13, \$12. SOMAR Theatre, 934 Brannan St.

Scott O'Hara "Nudes, portraits & hard

Pianist Leif Ove Andsnes performs with violinist Christian Tetzlaff at the Herbst,

dick images," a group exhibition of fine art sexually explicit photographs, drawings & paintings of sex activist O'Hara. \$5.7pm. 1229 Folsom St. 621-6294

**Romeo and Juliet** 

Oakland Ballet choreo-graphed by Ronn Guidi. Thurs.-Sun. \$10-32. 8pm. Zellerbach Hall, UC Berkeley, Telegraph at Bancroft Ave. (510) 642-9988.

Stories of Orgasm & Death

Dance, performance, spo-ken word on sex, death, transcendence. Fri. & Sat. \$7-12. 8:30pm. 848 Divisadero St. **387-9410**.

**Stupid Kids** 

An "about-to-be-queer" comedy by John S. Russell Fri. & Sat. at 8:30pm, Sun

at 7:30pm thru 11/27. \$10. 2926 16th St. 861-5079.

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Back to

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Bacharach
David Hawkins' musical tribute to the pop tunesmith.
Saturdays thru Nov.
Midnight. \$10. Josie's
Cabaret, 3583 16th St.
861-7933.

Dock of the Bay

Dance for women produced by Bay Area Career Women. \$15. 8:30pm. Olive Oil's, Pier 50. **495-5393**.

**Gay Comedy Night** Suzy Berger, Karen Ripley. \$10. 10pm. Josie's Cabaret, 3583 16th St. **861-7933**.

Plays with Veruca Salt. \$12.50. 9pm. Fillmore, 1805 Geary St. **346-6000**.

Rendez-vous with Marlene

Torill stars in a musical tribute to the legendary Dietrich. Wed.-Sat. at 8pm, Sat.-Sun. at 2pm thru 12/4. \$25-35. Cable Car Theatre, 430 Mason St. 956-TIXS.

**Return to Angkor** 

Drama about a woman returning to the temples of her Cambodian homeland. Thurs.-Sat. at 8pm thru 11/19. \$10. EXIT Theatre, 156 Eddy St. **673-3847**.

**Twelfth Night** 

All-male production of Shakespeare's "decidedly naughty" comedy, directed by Danny Scheie. Wed.-Sat. at 8pm, Sun. at 3 & 7pm thru 12/3. \$12-18. Theatre Rhinoceros, 2926 16th St. **861–5079**.

Tennessee Williams One-Act Play Festival

Three one-acts starring Michael Lovaglia and Susan Li. Sat. at 8pm, Sun. at 2pm. \$5. Diego Rivera Theatre, CCSF, Phelan & Judson Ave. 239-3100.

Wired Youth

Wired Youth
Media festival celebrating
young videomakers, sponsored by ATA and the
Exploratorium. Screenings
at noon, Sat. & Sun.
McBean Theater,
Exploratorium, 3601 Lyon
St. Museum admission:
\$8.50. 563-7337.



Fun, Food and Football

Pacific Bears California LM/C sponsors a Beer and Soda Bust at the Bear. 1pm. \$6. 438 A Castro St. **861-9427**.

Le Petit Mort

Artwork and altars on the theme of sex, orgasm and death. Sundays 1-5pm thru 12/4. 848 Community Artspace, 848 Divisadero St. 826-7257.

Mocha Mixer
Gay Asian/ Pacific Islander social hour. 3pm. Josie's Cabaret, 3583 16th St. 775-5825.

Society of Gay and Lesbian Composers

Concert of new music. \$6, free to PWAs. 7pm. 48 Belcher St. **333-2755**.

Patricia Nell

Warren
Author of The Front Runner
reads from her new novel,
Harlan's Race. Free.
3:30pm. A Different Light,
489 Castro St. 431-0891.



**Duo Recital** 

San Francisco Performances presents violinist

Wired Youth, the San Francisco Youth Media Festival, at the Exploratorium,

**SEE SAT** 

Christian Tetzlaff and pianist Leif Ove Andsnes performing Mozart, Debussy, Janacek and Schubert. \$20-28. 8pm. Herbst Theatre, 401 Van Ness Ave. **392-4400**.

Wed./Thu 7 &10pm \$18-43. Green St.

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**Gay Comedy** 

Open Mike
M.C. Matina Bevis. Aspiring
gay comics sign up by
phone. \$5. 8pm. Josie's
Cabaret, 3583 16th St.
861-7933.

J B Higgins

Photographs of leathermen. Thru 11/14 at the Lone Star Saloon, 1354 Harrison St. 863-9999.

Monday Night Marsh

Julie Caffey & Paul Jackson, Sara Felder, Tony S. Vallecillo. \$6. 8:30pm. The Marsh, 1062 Valencia St. **641-0235**.

Private/Public Lesbian Visual Artists pre-sents a juried exhibition. Mon.-Fri., 10-5pm thru 11/23. SOMAR Gallery, 934 Brannan St. **788-6118**.



Dodie Bellamy,

Camille Roy
Author of Feminine Hijinx
and Bye Bye Brunhilde
playwright read. \$5. Bpm.
Intersection for the Arts,
446 Valencia St. 626-2787

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Mixed media constructions
by Angela Lim, and
Obsession In My Dream,
installation by Setsuko
Maruyama. Tues.-Sat. thru
12/1. Morphos Gallery, 544
Hayes St. 626-1936.

**Susie Bright** 

"Sexpert" reads from The
Best American Erotica
1994. Free. 7:30pm.
Cody's Books, 2454
Telegraph Ave., Berkeley.
(510) 845-7852.

Classical

Nude Modeling
Sex star Scott O'Hara
poses for artists. \$12. 7pm.
1229 Folsom St.
292-3223.

**Comme Nous** 

Women's open mike, host Laura Chandler. No cover. 7:30pm. Spike's Cafe, 139 8th St. **553-8719**.

The Move

A comedy benefit for Whiptail Lizard Lounge. Comics Sabrina Matthews, Amy Boyd, Matina Bevis, Karla Carmony, \$10. 8pm. Josie's Cabaret, 3583 16th St. 861-7933.

Nan Goldin

First one-person show of Goldin's photos on the West Coast. Fraenkel Gallery, 49 Geary St. **981-2661**.

ReSOUNDING

Composer/performer Pamela Z combines her live voice with pre-sampled sounds from downtown. Free. Tues. thru Nov. Noon. Esplanade Stage, Center for the Arts, 701 Mission St. 641-4967.

Spaghetti Feed

All you can eat, a benefit for Most Holy Redeemer AIDS Support Group, \$6. 6pm. The Cafeteria at Live Oaks School, 117 Diamond St. 863-1581.



Beach

**Blanket Babylon** Special holiday mances perfor-begin. /ed\_/Thurs.: 8pm, Fri./Sat.: &10pm, Sun.: 3 &7pm. 18-43. Club Fugazi, 678 reen St. **421-4222**.

ondage A Go Go

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ransfer, 520 4th St.

kay Skate ink full of queers on roller-tates. \$5 includes skates intal. 8-10:30pm. olladium Roller Rink, 363 onth Amphlett, San Mateo. fo: 96-SKATE.

CT presents British play-right David Storey's 1970 roadway hit. Tues.-Sun. ru 12/4. \$15-39. 8pm. lage Door Theater, 420 ason St. **749-2ACT**.

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SU, 1650 Holloway Ave.
18-2580.

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betors Without Borders,
nding medical missions
Rwanda, Bosnia and
dia. \$8-25. 7pm. Cole
II, UCSF, 513 Parnassus.
6-2542.

My Find's Back
"And There's Gonna Be Laundry," Sandra Shamas' one-woman show: looking for love in deepest Toronto. Tues.-Sat. thru 11/26. \$20. Spm. Alcazar Theatre, 650 Geary St. 441-4042.

Night Train To Bolina Cuban-born playwright Nilo Cruz's drama of two chil-dren who flee their rural vil-lage for the city. Wed.-Sat. at 8:30pm, Sun. at 2 & 7:30pm thru 12/18, \$14-23. Magic Theatre, Bldg. D, Fort Mason. 441-8822.

Open Lesbian and Gay Reading Authors of both poetry and prose are invited to read. Free. 7:30pm. Modem Times, 888 Valencia St. 282-9246.

Michael Murphy stars as a corporate husband marketing baby formula to the Third World in Jon Robin Baitz's play. Wed.-Sat. at 8:30pm, Sun. at 2 & 7:30pm thru 11/20. \$14-23. Magic Theatre, Bldg. D, Ft. Mason Center. 441-8822.



The Amen Corner

James Baldwin's portrait of a storefront church in Harlem. Thurs.-Sun. thru 11/20. \$18-22. 8pm. Lorraine Hansberry Theatre, 620 Sutter St.

Bingo!

Gay bingo benefits Coming Home Hospice, every Thurs. \$12. 6pm. Most Holy Redeemer Church, 100 Diamond St. 241-0425.



**Faster Pussycat!** 

Team Dresch, all-chick rock band from Seattle, Cheesecake from Boston. \$5. 9pm. CW Saloon, 911 Folsom St. **561-9771**.

### Robert Gluck, David Trinidad

Reading from novel Margery Kempe and poetry collection Answer Song, respectively. Free. 7pm. A Different Light, 489 Castro St. **431-0891**.

Steven Patterson returns in *Beauty* at Josie's,

SEE FRI

Golden Boy Clifford Odets' thirties drama, directed by Lewis Campbell. Thurs-Sun. thru 11/20. \$12. 8pm. Multi Ethnic Theatre, Potrero Hill Neighborhood House, 953 De Haro St. **550-8161**.

#### Glamour

Vintage prints by George Hurrell and other studio photographers of Garbo, Dietrich, other stars. Mon.-Sat. 10am-6pm thru 11/26. Eleonore Austerer Galler 540 Sutter St. 986-2244.

### Monte Carlo Night at Pier 32

Casino party to benefit Smith House, a program of Haight Ashbury Free Clinics. \$30. 7:30pm. Pier 32, foot of Brannan St. 241-1515.

#### O Vertigo Danse

Canadian dance company performs La Chambre Blanche. Thurs.-Sat. at 8pm, Sun. at 2pm. \$12-20. Cowell Theater, Fort Mason Center. 392-4400.

#### **One Scary Woman**

Zachary Barton's one-woman cabaret extended Thurs.-Sat. thru 11/19. \$10-15. 9:30pm. 450 Geary St. 673-1172.

### Rush Limbaugh

Rush Limbaugh In Night School
Charlie Varon in a mock-PBS documentary about the fall of Limbaugh. Extended, Thurs.-Sat. at 8:30pm thru 11/26. \$8-12. The Marsh, 1062 Valencia St. 641-0235.

### **Scenes From**

My Love Life
Ronnie Larsen's hit comedy, now at the New
Conservatory Theatre.
Thurs.-Sat. thru 1/127. \$15.
8pm. 25 Van Ness Ave.
861-8972.

Karen Polk, Janet Roitz and Daniel Mellano in Carson McCullers' *The* Member of the Wedding

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#### This Week's Dinner Specials

Braised Sirloin Tips "Bourguignon"—oven-simmered top sirloin tips in a burgundy wine & mushroom sauce—served over fettucini..... Corn-Crusted Red Snapper with Cajun hollandaise sauce, with rice or potatoes.....

Sicilian Seafood Stew
—"Cioppino" with clams, mussels,
prawns & calamari, spicy tomato
sauce—over penne pasta ......10.95

Grilled Peppered Pork Chops with juniper berries & brandy sauce, mashed potatoes ......9.75

#### Patio Cafe

531 Castro Street, between 18th/19th Dinner served nightly from 5:00 PM Breakfast/lunch from 8:00 AM

Scott O'Hara: portraits, nudes & hard dick images cually explicit art of sex activist/Steam founder Scott O'Hara

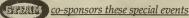


Nov. 11th - Dec. 10th Mark I. Chester studio 1229 Folsom St., SF

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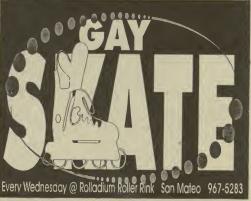


Wed. Nov. 16th- SEXART Salon-a night of outrage, spoken word and performance. SF's most exciting sexual artists celebrate sex & eros: Pat Califia, Keith Hennessy, Carol Queen, Wayne Corbitt, Trish Thomas, Scott O'Hara & others. Benefit, \$10-\$25 sliding scale. 8pm. 848 Divisadero

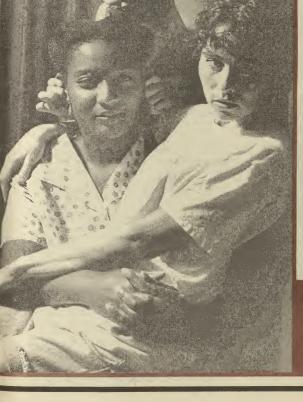
Fri. Nov. 18th- Steam Sex Party- a private sexual art party. A private art showing of Scott O'Hara's art show for men into sex & hard dicks. The sex club meats the art gallery. Enjoy the art AND the men. Call for invite. \$10. 10pm-2am

for information & tickets call 292-3223





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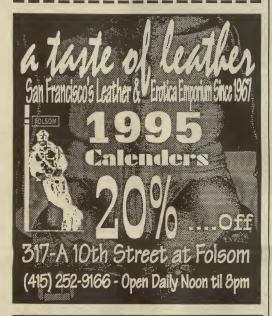
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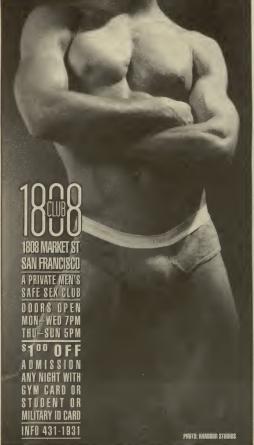
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# BAY AREA REPORTER

MR. MARCUS

### Ode to a Fallen Brother

y good friend Terry Thompson, former manager of the SF-Eagle, left us for a higher plane at 0745 last Saturday morning, Nov. 5. Some of his closest friends were at his side when he made the transition.

the transition.

My relationship with Terry was a close one. We first met in 1970 while he was the commander-inchief of The Academy in Los Angeles; it was one of those gay, spiffy, white tablecloth restaurants where the staff was required to wear military uniforms. The food and the staff were great and the cabaret entertainment was always superh

forms. The food and the staff were great and the cabaret entertainment was always superb.

Terry was also a member of the Oedipus MC, the club whose presidents are always "crowned" as Oedipus Rex at an extravagant function every January. Being a leather title, of sorts, Terry naturally was consulted by the SF Committee to Elect an Emperor. He gave his input, helped me in my campaign for the title and was present at my coronation. Later, he moved to San Francisco to manage The Plunge (now Ranch Oasis) and later managed The Arena

aged The Arena.

The Bare Chest Calendar was the brainchild of the then owner of the Arena. When they sold the bar and it went straight, Terry moved to the SF-Eagle and the calendar lived on as a fundraiser for beage and the calendar fived on as a fundraiser for the AIDS Emergency Fund. The AEF was started by leather men (and Terry was the first to say, "and don't you ever forget it!"), so it was only natural that proceeds from the calendar sales would go to the AEF.

Anyone who's been around this city for any length of time knows the reputation of the Eagle. Their anniversary pins are coveted commodities Someone is always looking for that one pin needed to make their collection complete. At a recent auction one dude even paid a cool thousand dollars

The annual parties – Leather & Feathers, Bike Blessings, Anniversaries, the Bare Chest Calendar – just to name a few of our established rituals, are no accident: Terry Thompson can take the greatest



Mr. November on the 1995 Bare Chest Calendar, Bob Toner of San Diego. He will host – along with his fellow calendar men – a calendar benefit at the San Diego Eagle on Saturday Doc. 20 Saturday, Dec. 3



The late Terry Thompson in October 1990 on his 50th birthday, when then Mayor Art Agnos declared Oct. 4 Terry Thompson Day in San Francisco.

credit for the incredible public relations job he magnificently engineered each year from coast to

coast, and even overseas.

So, once again, our ranks have been deprived of So, once again, our ranks have been deprived of a true friend of the community. While there is no doubt in my mind that the Eagle policies that Terry Thompson established will continue, there is a great sense of loss to a lot of customers and friends of the Eagle. We shall miss Terry Thompson terribly, but his legacy will live on in every man into leather, brotherhood, camaraderie and community spirit. A memorial service will be conducted at Most Holy Redeemer Church this coming Saturday, Nov. 12 at 1130. I hope you'll all be there out of gratitude and respect for a man who is surely a glowing example of Leather Pride at its finest. A reception in the Eagle patio follows. Farewell my friend. Our community has lost a champion and a valued friend.

The weather was lousy all last weekend. Gray skies, a record rainfall, the two local dailies on strike. The only bright spot was the 49ers' victory over the Redskins. Football fans are all geared up over this Sunday's tryst with the (ugh) Dallas Cowboys. The Constantines MC got rained on for their Fall Field Meet and Beerbust at the Eagle. There was a pilgrim and a Pocahantas type trying to lend a festive mood all over the patio and I think

they succeeded.

The main dish concerned the letter-writing rampage initiated by two disenchanted leather title-holders. Hopefully, all the mud-slinging will end this weekend when veterans and novices will sit

this weekend when veterans and novices will sit down on Sunday to begin a dialogue that will reunite the community. Without unity, nothing can be accomplished and I wish the proceedings well. Since my deadline came before election day, I'm hopeful that all of you voted the right way. In a city with this many queers, we should have more than a lot to say about the way this town is governed. The only way it can happen is for YOU to vote. I hope you exercised your constitutional right. These days, we tend to underestimate just how important those rights are. But enough pontificating, how about a little... icating, how about a little...

#### Dot, Dot, Dot, Dish

Not one person has been able to explain to me why the leather community from coast to coast is conthe leather community from coast to coast is conducting a fundraising for lodging expenses to be afforded to TLJ publisher, Dave Rhodes. Could it be for the burial of the hated Mama Ucci, one of the most ridiculous attempts at humor ever concoted by queers in a national leather publication? I have nothing but disdain for a publication that constantly berates hardworking leather title-holders. And while I'm at it, I will not attend the

### Affairs to Remember

Thursday, Nov. 10 Inter-Club Fund Nominating Beer Bust Party at Motorwerks tonight from 1900 to 2200. A \$5 donation for a nomination bal-

Friday, Nov. 11

No age given, but Philip Turner is celebrating his birthday tonight (2000-2300) at the Eagle with a \$6 beer bust, Cynthia Manley warbling and Jimmy Lee Murray going back to his "roots" as Diana Ross. Greg Penn-ington engineered this one, a benefit for the AEF.

Mr. "Dick of Death" himself, Scott O'Hara, will appear in person at the Scott

Mr. "Dick of Death" himself, Scott O'Hara, will appear in person at the Scott O'Hara nudes, portraits & images exhibition at 1229 Folsom tonight. See renderings from 15 artists in various mediums (1900-2300, \$5). "Hangling" until Dec. 10. Ram Studios first anniversary party at 4077A 18th St. from 1900 to midnight, with a \$5 donation for the Visual Aids Fund. Come and see the other magnificent work by the man who photographed the 1995 Bare Chest Calendar front and back cover winners as well as B&Ws inside. inside. USMC

USMC anniversary party Motorwerks. See details above.

Saturday, Nov. 12
Toy drive party at Pleasuredome starts tonight for the UCSF Pediatric AIDS Unit. Bring a new, unwrapped toy for the afflicted kids from infancy to preteens and get an admission discount through Dec. 4. Need help wrapping, too. Wanna volunteer? Call 974-1156.

Sunday, Nov. 13
Pacific Bears beer bust at The Bear on Castro from 1300 to 1600 for \$6; hot dogs are extra. Watch the football game,

too!

Alameda Co. "Beauty's Revenge" benefit at the Driftwood Lounge from 1500 to 1800 for \$5. Beer bust and watch your fave leather title holders get done up in drag! Must be the influence of that imperial court system in Alameda. Is Lance Brittain afraid someone is trying to usurp his title? No! Say it isn't-so, Lance!

Tuesday, Nov. 15
Alan Selby's Spaghetti Feed from 1800 to 2100 at Live Oaks School Cafeteria (117 Diamond St.) for \$6.
Benefits MHR AIDS Support Group. All you can eat while you're dishing all you can gish!

Wednesday, Nov. 16
Golden Gate Guards' Beer Bust at Night Shift on Castro and Leather Buddies Party tonight at 933 Harrison. Boots mandatory. No cologne. The usual amenities, the usual suspects and the usual hot men!

Mark I. Chester's Sex Art Salon, \$10-\$25, with SF's top sex artists and performers at 848 Community Space, 848 Divisadero, at 2000.

Thursday, Nov. 17
Full Moon Party at The Edge tonight.
The usual time. ▼



Cindy Bookout was sashed as IMsL. '94 last month after the elected incumbent resigned the title. Cindy now lives in Omaha and will reign with the title until July, 1995.

Pantheon of Leather Awards in

Pantheon of Leather Awards in New Orleans next year. I question the voting system. Period.

Mr. Mid-Atlantic Leather, Richard Benoit, has been elected the prez of C.O.M.M.A.N.D. in Baltimore. Club members say it means Corps of Men Making a Noticeable. Difference, but insiders call it, "Come on Mary, Make Me A New Dress!" Why didn't the SFGDI's think of that? that?

The Ranch Oasis is, effective immediately, a seven-day gay country western bar and there is much jubilation in the commu-nity over this development. Great live entertainment, dance Great live entertainment, dance lessons, friendly staff and hordes and hordes of hunky cowboys all the time. Now I ask you, is this any way to run a bar? Thousands would respond with a jubiliant – YES!

The U.S. Marines are celetomorrow and Motorwerks and Gen. Alfred Gray invite you to celebrate on Friday, Nov. 11 at 2200 with \$1 bottled beer, 2200 with \$1 bottled beer, \$1.50 boilermakers and clipper cuts. Maybe 49ers' Coach George Siefert beat you to it did you catch his new "do" on TV during last Sunday's game? Nah. George is str8!

The dudes at the San Diego Eagle are all excited over the "95 Bare Chest Calendar guys, who are planning to visit, sell

who are planning to visit, sell and autograph the calendars with a big party on Saturday, Dec. 3. Bob Toner, the driving Dec. 3. Boo loner, the driving force behind this project (and Mr. November on the calendar), is bizzy, bizzy lining up lodging for the group, so if you're in the vicinity drop in for the party. ▼











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## Terry A. Thompson

Oct. 4, 1940 - Nov. 5, 1994

og and rain crept into
town last Saturday
morning, Nov. 5, and
by the time both had
passed, the love affair between
Terry Thompson and his
beloved San Francisco was
over. The man who was so
instrumental in helping countless charities raise almost \$3
million for the less fortunate,
was taken from us at 7:45 a.m.
Our community is now poorer.
Terry Thompson died after a
six-year battle with AIDS and
HIV complications that included, among other things, liver
failure.

A native of Mason City, Iowa and a U.S. Air Force veteran, Terry is survived by two sisters, Nina Martinson and Clare Lidke; two half-brothers David and Thomas; a half-sister, Patricia Thompson; and son, Robert Alan Thompson. His domestic companion, Stephen Blair, died five years ago.

On Saturday, Terry was surrounded by his immediate family members: Mike Polansky, Bob Schmidt and Bruce Traficante. By late Saturday afternoon, a pall descended on the community as word of Terry's passing was relayed to caring friends.

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It's a few people who don't know that Terry was very much involved with the establishment of San Francisco's Emperor title. As a member of the Los Angeles Oedipus



Terry Thompson

Motorcycle Club, Terry was crowned "Rex" in conjunction with his ascendancy to that organization's presidency in the early '70s.

Popular in the fraternal acceptance in the Southern

Popular in the fraternal organizations in Southern California, Terry became even more prominent as the manager of The Academy, a posh gay restaurant and lounge. He was manager there between the years 1973-77. He spent a year in Palm Springs as manager of Walter N's, and then came to San Francisco to manage The Plunge (now the Ranch Oasis) in 1978.

New owners took over the premises and Terry emerged as the manager of The Arena (now The Stud) under two different proprietors. When The Arena went straight and changed its name to Club 9 in late 1983, the San Francisco Eagle had already gone through three managers. The late Bob Damron and current owner Jay Levine picked a winner when Terry was hired as manager.

Under Terry's leadership and ingenuity, the Eagle was transformed into one of the city's higgest and best hars.

Under Terry's leadership and ingenuity, the Eagle was transformed into one of the city's biggest and best bars. The outdoor patio, expanded bar, the stage and great planning made the Eagle a wonderful place to stage literally thousands of fundraisers. It didn't take long for the Eagle to become "the" place to go for both tourists and San Franciscans.

Pranciscans.

One of Terry's proudest moments – and there were many – was on his 50th birthday in Oct. 1990 when Mayor Art Agnos proclaimed Oct. 4 Terry Thompson Day in San Francisco, He was subsequently honored by the AIDS Emergency Fund for his fundraising efforts, by the Cable Car Awards committee for leadership and Leather Pride Floats, by the Cal Eagles

MC, The Community Awards, the SF Board of Supervisors, Castro Lions, Force 5, and many other organizations too numerous to mention here. Terry didn't just direct projects either; he also participated. One of his most daring escapades was when he played a dancing penny alongside the AEF Float in the annual gay parade while Sharon McNight sang "Pennies From Heaven" at least 350 times, from the Castro all the way to Civic Control!

Terry's amazing way with public relations was not lost on other leather communities either. He attended IML and IMsL contests faithfully, and even went to the Centaur MC Mid-Attlantic Leather weekends. He generously dispensed Eagle t-shirts, Eagle anniversary pins and drink tickets and donated prizes and ads to contest programs. He made the Eagle facilities available to almost anyone who wanted to organize a fundraiser, birthday party or nonsense beerbust. He bought entire tables at Shanti, AIDS Emergency Fund and Cable Car Awards events for his staff and friends. Managing a bar means giving back to the community what they give to you. Terry was a master at reciprocating. He was also popular with other bar owners and managers.

Gone, but not about to be

Gone, but not about to be forgotten, Terry Thompson will long be remembered as a true leatherman, one who adhered to all the qualities we think of when we speak about brotherhood, love, caring and allegiance. Terry Thompson did his best, and it was more than excellent. No accolade he was accorded on earth can compare with the inspiration he has given to others. Terry Thompson. He was a helluva man. We shall miss him.



# Mad Mame of Portland Plans Birthday Bash

riday (Nov. 11) at the Wooden Horse on Polk St., Emperor Chuck and Grand Duke XX Will Sweet will do a "Salute to the Gay Militia" at 10 p.m. Sure sounds like fun. Maybe Bill and Hillary will make guest appearances. Incidentally, Bobby Pace and Empress Sissy are now on the plank at the Wooden Horse, so do drop in and have a drink with them. (Try one of the Bloody Marys, it'll knock you on your ass.)

Tonight (Nov.10), there will be a double birthday bash at Marlena's for Matthew Brown and Marlena. It's a benefit for the Godfather Fund, so I hope a lot of people show up (8 p.m.). And, yes, I do know who is younger, right Matthew?

younger, right Matthew?
Did you know that Ronnie
Lynn is on the plank at The
Gate Bar & Restaurant
Wednesday thru Friday nights?
And did you know that The
Gate serves a really good dinner? Unfortunately, they've discontinued those fabulous
Sunday brunches, but you can't
have everything.

As the content of the

Émperor Chuck-Les will present a night of "Looney Toones" at the Full Moon Over Polk St. Bun's Contest at Kimo's on Friday the 18th (9 p.m.). It's a benefit for the Larkin Street Youth Center. Guest bartenders will be on hand, including Steven Rasher, Marlena (again?), Polk Gulch Susie, Twin Peaks Mike and, of course, the popular Grand Duke XX Will Sweet. A fabulous buffet will be prepared by our own Vera.

Have you been to

Have you been to Motorwerks yet at Market & Valencia? If not, I suggest you get over there soon and check it out. It's a really hot place and there are lots of hunky guys to feast your eyes on. That includes the hunky help behind the bar and the management.

ment.
Yes, the Galleon still has the popular Polk Street Sally (aka Dixon) on the plank Sundays for brunch. She's loads of fun, so drop in and say "hi" and get to know the person who taught me how to be so SWEET.
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Grand Duke XX Will Sweet and Donna Sachet will be the hosts for the evening. Special guests will include Emperor Chuck, Empress Anita Martini, Empress Ginger, Empress Marlena (again?), and a swell host of others.

At least 30 people are planning to come to the City on New Year's Day to celebrate Mad Mame of Portland's Birthday (January 2). They'll return to Portland the next day for Mame's party in Portland. Steve Rascher, and yours truly, will host an early afternoon cocktail



Photo: Sweet Lips

Robert, cocktail hostess, and David Webb of The Giraffe.

party for Mame at Kimo's. I'll details later, and, yes, Mame is give you all the important only 60. ▼









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### Shared Vision Culminates in Photographic Record of Gay Games, Stonewall

## Lisa and Anne's Big Adventure

ankee Stadium is empty, and the dust has long since settled from the hundreds of thousands of marching feet in Central Park. What remains of Gay Games IV and the celebration of Stonewall



Gay Games IV and the celebration of Stonewall would only be memories but for the daring and boldness of two women determined to capture in print the historical significance of that week in New York.

Who needs Time, Life and People magazines when we have the likes of Lisa Labrecque and Anne Skeffington? Their vision, shared by a group of talented photographers and writers, has culminated in a 168-page book called Unity - A Celebration of Gay Games IV and Stonewall. The publication's impressive 9 x 12 format is filled with 300 color images of this unique event. images of this unique event.
When Lisa, 32, met Anne, 37,

at a Christmas party last year they hadn't an inkling of the project upon which they'd soon embark. They were just two people who sat down to talk about their mutu-

al interest in publishing, journalism and the gay community. It wasn't until April of this year that they made their decision to document Gay Games IV and the anniversary of Stonewall.

Members of the San Francisco track & field team at the 1994 Gav Games.

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Lisa Labrecque

A learning experience

"I just decided to go for it," says Lisa, who owns Labrecque Publishing in San Francisco. "You can play it safe and keep publishing computer books the rest of your life, or you can take a risk. What's the worst thing that can happen?

We'll create a fantastic book, and maybe lose a little money. I can live with that. We've had a great time in the process and learned a lot."

Anne had photographed the Vancouver Games in 1990, and as Director of Photography for the upcoming publication, she knew why her commitment to New York was so strong. "We realized there was no one else doing it, and that was part of our motivation, too. We knew that somebody had to do

Lisa Labrecque We knew that somebody had to do it. It was an historical event, and it had to be recorded."

Rounding up photographers was the next task. She called newspapers in New York, did a bit of advertising, and the project began to take off. At the first *Unity* meeting in Manhattan, almost 20 of the 31 men and women who would photograph for the book were on hand to receive assignments. Carrying heavy equipment in 90-

degree heat, the photographers began their trek through a labyrinth of gay and lesbian sporting events, cultural activities and marches.

Editing of the 10,000 images submitted for publication took weeks of work. "My initial editing," Anne explains, "was just to make sure we got all the sports covered. Then I looked for the best shots, the ones that would reproduce the best."

Lisa adds, "We then had to edit down based on equal representation of men, women, medal winners, non-

representation of men, women, medal winners, non-medal winners, straight people, handicapped, so that we could get a diverse representation. We wanted to represent everyone, because it was truly all-inclusive. That was the theme, and I think that's what the book represents." But stars are not really what this book is about. It's about the kind of commitment and hard work that brings

people out to test themselves, to conquer fear of failure and fear of competition. It's about a gay and lesbian community that can break sporting records in world-class events, organize a dazzling spectacle, and bring a million people together in harmony to commemorate their history.

Along with essays on every sport, as well as feature articles about athletes with disabilities, the Federation of Gay Games, the Rainbow Flag and the various marches and rallies, every medal-winner will be listed in *Unity*. Included, too, will be Lisa Labrecque, who got back on skates to win a Gold Medal in the Women's Singles iceskating competition. Although publishing the book has extended her journalistic experience, she acknowledges, "It's really much more than that. For me there was my

"It's really much more than that. For me there was my skating, getting back into that after all these years, and achieving my personal best"

The book's publication is a triumph in many ways, Lisa explains: "Economics plays a role here, that a lesbian-owned company, and a lesbian team, have the resources and the creativity to put together such a first-class product. We really didn't skimp anywhere. I think we used the best people, the most talented people, a great production crew and a great art director."

"We have made a superhuman effort," Anne says, "to make sure that it's a superior thing, and I think that's really where the labor of love comes into it. Our determination was to make it the best that we possibly could,

mination was to make it the best that we possibly could, and we did. We've made a mark." ▼

NOTE: Unity - A Celebration of Gay Games IV and Stonewall retails for \$34.95 and will be available for purchase in bookstores, or by calling Labrecque Publishing at 1-800-755-8971. (Published price includes postage and handling.)

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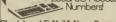
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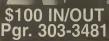






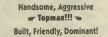
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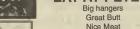
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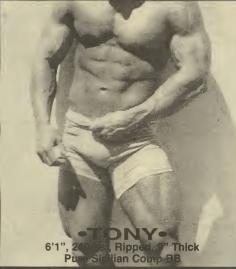




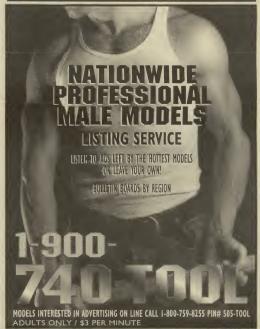
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